The 2nd Language Documentation Training in Miyako, Okinawa

Research Institute for Languages and Cultures of Asia and Africa, TUFS

Call for participants

We invite applications for participation in the 2nd Language Documentation Training Workshop in Miyako, Okinawa to be held in December 2015. This workshop series has been conducted by the Research Institute for Languages and Cultures of Asia and Africa (ILCAA). This workshop has been planned to provide training in language documentation in the local context. This is part of the effort to stimulate and support research on endangered languages spoken in Okinawa and also language documentation research in general. The workshop is designed for beginning researchers without much experience in working with Miyako and other Ryukyuan languages.

1. Dates: December 16 - 22, 2015

2. Program:

The goal of this workshop is to provide an opportunity to gain hands-on experience in various aspects of language documentation research:

- Collection of data for basic linguistic analyses
- Collection of natural discourse data
- Analysis of basic linguistic structure
- Processing and management of linguistic data

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3. Venue:

Ikema Island, Miyakojima, Okinawa

4. Target participants:

Advanced undergraduate and beginning graduate students without fieldwork experience or knowledge of Miyako and other Ryukyuan languages. A good command of conversational Japanese is required.

5. Selection:

Depending on the number of applicants, prior screening will be held based on the application form (see 8. below).

6. Number of participants:

About 8 people will be selected from the applications.

7. Participation fee:

There is no registration fee or tuition. However, participants are responsible for their transportation cost to Miyakojima and lodging and food costs. We will try to keep the lodging and food costs reasonable by making arrangements for shared lodging and self-cooking.

8. Application:

Please apply by filling out the online application form at URL: http://bit.ly/1ADubMU

9. Deadline for applications:

The application must arrive no later than 23:59pm, September 25, 2015 (in Japan Standard Time).

10. Notification of selection:

We will notify applicants of the results in the first week of October 2015.

11. For further information, please contact:

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