MA English Graduate Student Conference – Friday, May 9, 2025

Time	Presentation Schedule		
	HUM 471		HUM 474
9:30 am – 10:00 am	Welcome coffee/reception HUM 485		
10:00 am – 10:30 am	Jackie Zhen Looking Beyond the Textbook: What TESOL Educators need to know to teach in Hong Kong	MA Literatures Panel	Malleeswari Jagabattuni Assessing LLM Performance on the Winograd Schema Challenge: A Comparison between Telugu and English
10:30 am – 11:00 am	Maria Yoneyama Addressing Speaking Anxiety of Japanese Adult Learners		Jas Zeng The Meaning of Mandarin Particle le Based on Syntactic Position
11:00 am – 11:30 am	Alejandra Robles Small Talk, Big Impact: Developing Pragmatic Skills Through Conversation Club		Mele Thomas Gender Biases in Large Language Models
11:30am- 12:00 pm	Annemarie Fortier How can Scholarship on English as a Lingua Franca (ELF) Inform the Teaching of English Language Arts in K-12 Classrooms?		Cody Fisher The Importance of Reading in First-Year Composition: Interconnections with Writing and Strategies for Improvement
12:00pm-12:30pm	Christine Xiong Designing a National Curriculum Model for Hmong Dual Immersion Programs: Preserving Culture, Language, and Identity		Samuel Grant Introducing a New Theory of Contemporary Rhetoric for FYC in the Digital Age
12:30pm-1:00pm	Chester Diaz AI as an ESOL Learning Partner: Leveraging Capabilities and Navigating Inconsistencies		Elan Rodriguez Calculators for English: How A.I. can be Beneficial in the Writing Process
1:00pm Lunch, Cake, and Reception in HUM 485			