

ALTA, the **Australasian Language Technology Association** was founded in December 2002, for the purpose of promoting language technology research and development in Australia and New Zealand. In line with its goal of organising regular events for the exchange of research results and for academic and industrial training, ALTA is proud to present its inaugural Summer School and Workshop.

The **Australasian Language Technology Summer School** will consist of 8 short courses, targeted at postgraduate students and researchers in academia and industry. There will be introductory and advanced courses offered by experts in the field.

The **Australasian Language Technology Workshop** will provide a forum for the presentation and discussion of new research in language technology.

To receive email updates, please subscribe to the ALTA-Announce mailing list at <http://www.alta.asn.au/>.

Timetable

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
8.30-12*	I1, A1	I1, A1	ALTW	I3, A3	I3, A3
1:30-2:30	Lecture	Lecture	ALTW	Lecture	Lecture
2.30-6.00*	I2, A2	I2, A2	ALTW	I4, A4	I4, A4

* includes morning and afternoon tea breaks

SUMMER SCHOOL

Convenor: Steven Bird (Melbourne)

INTRODUCTORY COURSES

(four 1.5-hour lectures and lab sessions each)

I1: Practical NLP using Python

(Trevor Cohn and Steven Bird, Melbourne University)

I2: Speech processing

(David Grayden, Bionic Ear Institute, Melbourne)

I3: Dialogue systems

(Robert Dale, Macquarie & Dominique Estival, DSTO)

I4: Information extraction and question answering

(Diego Molla, Macquarie)

ADVANCED COURSES

(four 1.5-hour lectures and lab sessions each)

A1: Machine translation

(Harold Somers, UMIST, UK)

A2: Validation and evaluation in NLP and IR

(David Powers, Flinders University)

A3: Statistical parsing

(Mark Johnson, Brown University, USA)

A4: SVMs and kernel methods in NLP

(Jim Hogan, QUT)

WORKSHOP

Chairs: Alistair Knott (University of Otago),
Dominique Estival (DSTO)

For further information visit

<http://www.cs.otago.ac.nz/research/ai/ALTW2003/>

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Registration Form

ABN: 84 002 705 224

Name: _____

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Address: _____

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Student ID: _____

	Early bird	Full
Student Registration	\$200.00	\$250.00
*1 Day/1 Course	\$70.00	\$90.00
Non Commercial	\$400.00	\$500.00
*1 Day/1 Course	\$140.00	\$180.00
Commercial	\$1200.00	\$1500.00
*1 Day/1 Course	\$400.00	\$500.00

Early Bird discount available until 10 October.

Full registration includes Summer School & Workshop

*1 day / 1 course allows delegates to participate in either a single tutorial course (4 x 1-1/2 hour sessions) either over two days or in a single day, or to participate in the Workshop on Wednesday 10 December.

WHICH DAY/COURSE: _____

Please send information about accommodation

Tax invoice: when completed and paid

Prices in AUD and include GST

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Card Number: _____/_____/_____/_____

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Please send registration forms with payment in AUD to the address overleaf

PUBLIC EVENTS

"New Directions in Language Technology"

LANGUAGE TECHNOLOGY FORUM

Wednesday 10 December

7pm – 9pm

Theatre 1, ICT Building

111 Barry St, Carlton

Keynote Speakers:

Prof. Mark Johnson, Brown University, USA

President of Association for
Computational Linguistics

Prof. Harold Somers, UMIST, UK

Journal Editor, Machine Translation

LECTURES

A series of free public lectures will be held in conjunction with ALTA events:

Discourse Representation Theory

(Alistair Knott, Otago)

Text Planning

(Robert Dale, Macquarie)

Language Technologies and HCI

(Cecile Paris, CSIRO)

Linguistic Annotation with EMU

(Steve Cassidy, Macquarie)

Linguistic Annotation with AGTK

(Steven Bird, Melbourne)

Agent-oriented NLP

(Peter Wallis, Melbourne)



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