

A Note from the Editors

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This volume includes 27 papers that were presented at the tenth biennial conference on Generative Approaches to Second Language Acquisition (GASLA 10), the premier peer-reviewed conference on generative research in non-native language acquisition. Approximately every other year, GASLA is hosted by an American or Canadian university. The University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign was honored to host its tenth gathering on March 13-15, 2009.

Three plenary speakers were invited to present their research at the event: Alan Juffs (University of Pittsburgh), Roumyana Slabakova (University of Iowa), and Antonella Sorace (University of Edinburgh). In honor of the plenary speakers, there were special sessions addressing the main topics of the plenaries - interfaces and L2 processing. The conference included a total of 25 oral and 17 poster presentations covering a range of current issues in generative second language acquisition theory, including articles, clitics, interfaces, phonology, processing, semantics/pragmatics, and syntax. The papers in this volume are organized according to these broad themes.

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