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International Summer School
Empirical Approaches to Discourse Studies
EmpDis 2019

July 26th to August 1st, 2019
University of Costa Rica, San José, Costa Rica

Organized by:

The Center for Ibero-America (Heidelberg University) and
Postgraduate Program in Linguistics (University of Costa Rica)

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The Center for Ibero-American Studies at Heidelberg University (IAZ) and the Program of Graduate in Linguistics of the University of Costa Rica call for applications for the International Summer School Empirical Approaches to Discourse Studies (EmpDis 2019). This initiative, supported by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), is one of a series of scientific activities carried out within the international academic cooperation network on discourse studies to which both universities belong.

Target groups:

EmpDis 2019 is aimed at **Master's and PhD students, lecturers and researchers** from Ibero-American universities holding a Master's Degree who wish to be trained in empirical research theories and methods to approach discursive phenomena. EmpDis 2019 creates a common space **to carry out an own research project** (doctoral thesis, Master's thesis) co-directed by renown international researchers.

Contents:

EmpDis 2019 brings together teachers and young researchers of Ibero-American and European universities specialized in discourse research using an empirical methodology (corpus and experimentation).

The contents and structure of the academic program aim to get students thoroughly acquainted to the planning, design and presentation of empirical studies. Lectures and tutors will provide theoretical-practical guides in the workshops and case-study presentations, which will be carried out by young researchers. Participants will also be trained in the use laboratory equipment and software programs. Courses and laboratory sessions will be held in Spanish or English.

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Participation requirements:

Eligible participants for EmpDis 2019 are:

- **Master's students** in the fields of general or applied linguistics, cognitive sciences, modern philology or related disciplines of an Ibero-American university;
- **PhD students** in the fields of general or applied linguistics, cognitive sciences, modern philology or related disciplines of an Ibero-American university;
- **Research and/or teaching staff** (without a PhD degree) in the fields mentioned in an Ibero-American university.

Applying for EmpDis 2019 presupposes a motivated interest by the applicant to develop and carry out an own research project in the field of discourse studies in cooperation with his/her university of origin and the organizing universities. During the Summer School, advice in this respect will be offered to the participants (regulation of co-supervision, application for scholarships, etc.).

Enrolment limit: Thirty participants

Documentation:

To apply for EmpDis 2019, please submit the following documents (in Spanish or English):

- Registration form ([pdf downloadable](#))
- Letter of motivation (maximum length 1 page) explaining the added value of the Summer School for the development of the own international academic and research profile.
- Curriculum (maximum length 5 pages).
- Record of grades of the university studies completed so far or in progress.
- Document proving the enrollment or employment in an Ibero-American university.
- Document proving advanced **English** skills.

All documents must be sent to empdis2019@uni-heidelberg.de not later than **May 15, 2019**.

Selection will be carried out by an academic commission constituted by teaching and research staff of the organizing universities and under observance of the principles of equality and diversity in society and education, according to the mission of Heidelberg University and the University of Costa Rica.

The communication of acceptance will be sent by email on May 31, 2019.

Certification and credit recognition

Participants who have met the requirements of the academic program (attendance and active participation in the courses and lab sessions) will receive a certificate of attendance. If you are interested in obtaining academic credits for EmpDis 2019, please contact the person in charge at your university of origin.



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Additional Program:

During EmpDis 2019 a round table about study and research opportunities in Germany and a free introductory course on German language and culture will be offered. Advice to students on Master's studies and PhD projects in Germany will be also provided along the summer school.

Click [here](#) for further information.

Important dates:

Deadline for submission of applications	May 15, 2019
Communication of acceptance	May 31, 2019
Enrollment	June 1 to 15, 2019
Summer School	July 26 to August 1, 2019

Additional information:

<http://www.uni-heidelberg.de/empdis2019>

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