



ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

WORKSHOP ON ENGLISH LINGUISTICS RESEARCH

8:30, Friday, December 13, 2019; Room A2.412

Guest speaker



Stephen H. Moore is Associate Professor in the Linguistics Department at Macquarie University, Sydney, Australia. He has worked in the fields of English language teaching, English for Specific Purposes, discourse analysis and language assessment for almost 30 years, including several periods in Vietnam. He has published widely in top journals and has co-authored two books (Palgrave Macmillan): *Language for Specific Purposes* (2015) and *Exploring Discourse in Context and in Action* (2017).

WORKSHOP SCHEDULE

8:15-8:30	Welcoming guests - Registration Welcome speech by Dr. Nguyễn Huy Cường , English Department Chair
8:30 - 10:00	<i>A Critical Language Testing Case Study</i> by Associate Professor Stephen Moore <i>This seminar will present a case study of a research project funded by an IELTS grant and undertaken in 2010 in neighbouring Cambodia. The nature of the study concerns the social impact of IELTS testing in Cambodia, a small developing country, and forms part of a range of IELTS research studies that seek to establish the validity of IELTS as a standardised international language proficiency exam. The presentation will focus on two aspects of the study: (1) as an example of a research project from its inception through to completion (i.e., how the research was developed from an initial idea to a competitive application, and then to an operational project and finally to a completed project written up, peer-reviewed and published); and (2) as a prototype critical language testing (CLT) study (i.e. one that drew on principles of CLT to apply to an actual case, something not previously reported in published testing research literature). The seminar will also discuss the major findings of the research project, and offer opportunities for participants to reflect on and discuss important aspects of this particular study that might be relevant to Vietnam, and on doing this kind of research more generally.</i>
10:00-10:15	Closing remarks & Group photo