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11 March 5pm – 6.30pm: Language practices in multiethnic high schools

Australian schools are increasingly multiethnic, multilingual places. In this seminar Dr. Louisa Willoughby will explore the ways students in multilingual schools draw on the linguistic resources available to them – including their parents' ethnic languages, their friends' ethnic languages and of course English. Using examples from her research at one highly multiethnic Melbourne high school she will discuss the complex ways in which students use language to signal identities, share secrets and create group boundaries, as well as the evolution of taboo linguistic behaviour in the school environment. Participants will have the opportunity to reflect on and discuss linguistic behaviour in their own schools and its relationship to students' multifaceted identities (Unit 3).

Dr. Louisa Willoughby, Monash University

5 May 5pm – 6.30pm: Smoko gossip, radio-talkback and public speeches: spoken discourse and the construction of identity

Using transcripts of authentic interactions in a range of social contexts, we'll explore how dialogues reflect relationships between participants in spoken interactions (Unit 4, Area of Study 1) and how interactional choices shape individual, group and national identity (Unit 3, AoS 1 and 2). First, we'll consider how to range and exemplify spoken texts along a continuum, from the more spoken-like discourses of 'smoko gossip' to more formal public speeches. We'll then explore how these texts work to build gendered, group or national identities.

Associate Professor Kristina Love, University of Melbourne

10 August 5pm – 6.30pm: What's different in writing about extreme difference?

In this presentation, we'll explore a range of written text types concerned with 'difference', focusing in particular on how they use language to represent various forms of identifiable neurological disorders. These writings will range from what Marco Roth has termed the 'neuro-novel' (for example Mark Haddon's *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night Time*), to bio-medical texts which describe and explain these neurological disorders. We'll explore how these texts employ distinctive patterns of stylistic features at discourse, syntactic and lexical levels to achieve their distinctive purposes. This presentation will relate to those outcomes in Unit 4 Area of Study 2 (Written Language) dealing with the nature and functions of written English.

Associate Professor Kristina Love, University of Melbourne

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