

It is our great pleasure to invite you to the following talk as part of our Departmental Forum for the academic year 2023–24:

Assessment of Academic ESL Writing in an Online Tutorial for Graduate Students

by

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Abstract:

This talk introduces an online tutorial for international graduate students whose first language is not English. It also explores the benefits of participating in the tutorial for the students. The results indicate some progress according to assessment rubrics in both self-evaluation and evaluation by human raters. A brief comparison with grading by ChatGPT is presented.

Bio:

Veronika Makarova is a Professor in the Department of Linguistics, at the University of Saskatchewan. She previously worked in universities in Japan, Russia, and the UK. Her research studies have led to a substantial number of publications (three edited books, one monograph, and over 100 published academic papers including articles in leading international journals (e.g., *Culture and Religion, International Journal of Bilingualism, Language and Speech*), as well as national journals like *Canadian Ethnic Studies* and *Canadian Slavonic Papers*. She has received multiple Canadian (SSHRC, NFRF) and international grants. Her research interests include applied linguistics, bilingualism and multilingualism, sociolinguistics, immigrant and ethnic studies, academic English writing by international graduate students, as well as Russian and Doukhobor Russian language and culture.

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