

**SCL & SPCL 25th Biennial Conference, Guyana 2024**  
**"Looking Back and Moving Forward:  
Innovations in Language Theory, Policy and Practice"**

**Call for Papers**

The [Society for Pidgin and Creole Languages](#) (SPCL), in collaboration with The Society for Caribbean Linguistics (SCL), will meet in Georgetown, Guyana from 5 to 9 August 2024 for its 25th Biennial Conference. The Conference will be hosted by the [University of Guyana](#), under the theme "Looking Back and Moving Forward: Innovations in Language Theory, Policy and Practice."

Abstracts for papers on the phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics, lexicon, or any other issue pertaining to the linguistic study of Pidgins, Creoles and other contact varieties are invited for anonymous review.

The conference organisers are especially encouraging abstracts pertaining to any of the following panel themes:

- Indigenous Languages of the Insular and Greater Caribbean
- Digitisation of Heritage Caribbean Languages
- Virtual Language Museums
- Caribbean Languages and Reparations
- Relevance of Linguistics in Education in the Caribbean
- Languages in Contact in the Caribbean
- Geolinguistics in the Caribbean
- Language and Communication in the Caribbean
- Translation and Interpreting in the Caribbean
- Language Endangerment and Language Death in the Caribbean
- Language Policies in Multilingual Caribbean Societies
- Language and Identity in the Caribbean
- Speech-Language Pathology in the Caribbean
- Language and Music in the Caribbean
- Forensic Linguistics in the Caribbean
- Linguistic Connections between the Islands (insular Caribbean) and Rimlands (continental Caribbean)

Other panel themes on Caribbean Languages, Pidgin and Creole Languages, Linguistics and Contact Linguistics may be proposed.

*Stephen Peck Fund*

Modest financial aid from the Stephen Peck Fund is open to all students who have financial needs, and are studying creoles, pidgins and/or other contact languages, for the purpose of attending conferences of the SPCL. We particularly encourage applications from students from creole-speaking communities and those working within their own speech communities.

*Student Award*

The SPCL Student Award recognizes scholars early in their career who have presented an outstanding research paper at an SPCL conference. This is awarded annually by the Executive Committee to students who have presented their research at the Summer or Winter meetings.

**Conference Dates:** 5-9 August 2024

**Early bird deadline for submission of abstracts:** 30 March 2024

**Final deadline for submission of abstracts:** 30 April 2024

**Notification of acceptance:** 15 April 2024 (early bird) & 15 May 2024 (regular)

**Contact:** [spclsociety@gmail.com](mailto:spclsociety@gmail.com)

Information about keynote speakers will be available in subsequent calls and the conference page will be available soon.

Submissions are now via EasyAbs. [SUBMIT HERE](#)

Please indicate at the beginning of the abstract that your submission is an SPCL abstract.