

**UNIVERSITY OF READING**  
**Centre for Literacy and Multilingualism**

Spring 2023 update

**1. FutureLearn course on multilingual children’s language development**

CeLM’s online course on multilingual children’s language development is now LIVE! More than 1,000 people have already registered and the course has received excellent reviews so far. Do have a look, sign up if you’re interested and let others know about it. The link is here: <https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/understanding-multilingual-childrens-language-development>

**2. CeLM seminar series, 2022-23**

Our seminar series is in full swing with all but one talk available online. Our schedule is below. If you aren’t at University of Reading and would like to attend any of the talks, please email our Director Holly Joseph ([h.joseph@reading.ac.uk](mailto:h.joseph@reading.ac.uk)). And if you missed any of the talks and would like to catch up, do watch the recordings which you can find here: <https://youtu.be/ZwGpxBpVRq8>

Date and time	Speaker and affiliation	Title
12th January 2023 (1-2pm)	Kyaw Win Tun (Lancaster University)	Normalization of English Language and Identity Construction of Refugee Background Youth from Burma/Myanmar in US Schools
7th February 2023 (1-2pm)	Michal Korenar (University of Amsterdam)	Bilingualism as a dynamic, brain-changing experience
9th March 2023 (1-2pm)	George Pontikas (University of Reading)	Sentence processing in bilingual children – evidence from eye-tracking
27th April 2023 (1-2pm)	M. Carmen Parafita Couto (Leiden University and Universidade de Vigo)	Characterizing the nominal domain in Papiamentu-Dutch code-switching
11th May 2023 (1-2pm)	Kari Sahan (University of Reading)	English as a medium of instruction (EMI)
25th May 2023 (1-2 pm)	Vishnu Nair (University of Reading)	Bilingualism and Intersection of Race, Disability and Nation
15th June 2023 (1-2pm)	Beverley Jennings (University of Reading)	Adolescent reading habits
17th July 2023 (6-7pm)	Betty Yu (San Francisco State University)	Deconstructing bi/multilingualism, social communication, and autistic sociality with a focus on clinical application

**3. CeLM at University of Reading’s Community Festival**

CeLM will be at the University of Reading’s very first Community Festival on 13<sup>th</sup> May 2023. We’ll be reading stories to young children in seven different languages: English, Arabic,

Mandarin, Ukrainian, Greek and Spanish, following on from our previous successful multilingual storytime events. There will also be food, music, live theatre and other delights. Do come along if you can – you can register here:

<https://www.reading.ac.uk/events/Feed/2023/May/Community-Festival>

#### 4. **Research Methods Summer School**

We will be running our research methods summer school again this year although dates have not yet been confirmed. We will have two days on linear mixed effects modelling and two days on Bayesian statistics. More details to follow.