**Visiting Professorship Project Proposal**

**Topic:**

Modern pedagogies in teaching English communication skills: A lecture workshop

**Purpose and description:**

The purpose of the lecture workshop is to develop the English communication teaching skills of English language students of Prince of Songkhla University Pattani. Specifically, the lecture workshop will expose them to first-hand experiences in teaching English as a foreign language in a similar setting in Japan. It will introduce the latest and research-based language learning pedagogies through online hands-on training. It will guide the learners on how to practically apply the pedagogies in the context of education in Southern Thailand. It will provide international exposure to learners that can help them in their future careers.

**Expected results:**

1. The students can apply the latest and research-based pedagogies they learnt to their teaching profession, particularly in the context of teaching English as a second and third language in Southern Thailand.

2. The lecturer coordinating the project is conducting action research on designing an appropriate program for pre-service teachers in teaching English writing skills for Southern Thailand contexts. The action research is under the grant of the Faculty of Education. The lecture workshop will support the action research by acting as supplementary training for the pre-service teachers as the pedagogical frameworks that will be introduced in the event are similar to the ones used in the action research.

3. The event is in collaboration with the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences. The English majors under the faculty can share their experiences as learners. The experiences can add to the international perspective of teaching English as a foreign language.

**Participants:**

The participants are composed of eighty-one (91) second- to fourth-year English students from the Faculty of Education and eighty (90) second- to fourth-year English language students from the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences. A total of 181 students will join the lecture workshop. The tally of participants is presented in the table below:

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| Faculty | Major | Year | Number of students |
| Education | English | 2 | 31 |
| Education | English | 3 | 30 |
| Education | English | 4 | 30 |
| Humanities and Social Sciences | English | 2 | 30 |
| Humanities and Social Sciences | English | 3 | 30 |
| Humanities and Social Sciences | English | 4 | 30 |
| Total | | | 181 |

**Operation:**

The lecture workshop will be conducted on August 28, 2021, Saturday, from 13:00 to 17:00 (4 hours) via Zoom. The programme will be as follows:

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| **Time** | **Activity** | **Person in-charge** |
| 12:30 | Zoom opens | Coordinator |
| 12:45 – | Introduction and housekeeping | Coordinator |
| 13:00 – 14:45 | 1st part of the lecture workshop | Visiting professor and students |
| 14:45 – 15:00 | Break time |  |
| 15:00 – 16:45 | 2nd part of the lecture workshop | Visiting professor and students |
| 16:45 – 17:00 | Awarding and thanks | Coordinator and students |

**Evaluation:**

The participants and visiting professor will evaluate the program through an online survey evaluation form.