



Circumnavigators Club of Chicago

Meet Mackenzie Gentz, 2022 Scholar



“Linguistic Baggage”: A Global Examination of Adult Accent Training in English as a Second Language (ESL) Classrooms

The Question is: How do language classrooms around the world treat accent differentiation and does their treatment oppose how linguistic research concludes language classrooms should treat it?

The study examines data from 6 ESL language schools in 6 different countries to determine whether classroom practices around accent differentiation correlate with how linguistic research recommends its treatment. Accent differentiation is the frequency and amount of different accents students hear in the classroom. Mackenzie traveled to: Cusco, Peru; Málaga, Spain; Prague, Czech Republic; Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia; and Melbourne, Australia plus interviewing with a school in Hiroshima, Japan.

Date: Wednesday, March 22, 2023

Location: Community Room, 505 N. Lake Shore Drive, Home of Mary Houston

6:00: Gather and light supper

7:00: Presentation by Mackenzie Gentz

Cost: \$30.00 per person (reservations must be made by March 18, 2023)

(Note: valet parking is available in the building. The cost is \$10.00 cash paid directly to Mary Houston who will provide a parking sticker)

PLEASE RSVP by March 18, 2023 to Barb Franch, 117 Seminole, Elmhurst IL 60126-3972. Email: bjfranch@sbcglobal.net; phone: 630-782-6631. Send check payable to the **Circumnavigators Club Chicago Chapter with this stub**. If you wish to pay by credit card go to www.ChicagoCircumnavigators.org and use the EventBrite.com link.

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Questions may be sent to Mary Houston at maryhouston505@yahoo.com.