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TALK:

Heritage Language Learners: A New Challenge for Foreign Language Teachers

Monday, November 25th
3:00 in the University Museum Auditorium

WORKSHOP:

Teachers' Language Use in the Foreign Language Classroom

Monday, November 25th
4:30 in Faner 1224



Irma Alarcón is a native of Chile, and received her PhD in Hispanic Linguistics from Indiana University, Bloomington. She teaches courses in psycholinguistics and TESOL linguistics, as well as Spanish grammar for both English-speaking learners and heritage speakers (early bilinguals). Her primary research focuses on theoretical issues concerning the role of linguistic variables, such as noun gender and morphology, on the acquisition of Spanish gender agreement. Her most recent work has analyzed heritage Spanish speakers, and offers both theoretical implications concerning differences between first and second language acquisition and pedagogical insights into the burgeoning field of teaching Spanish to Latinos in the U.S.

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