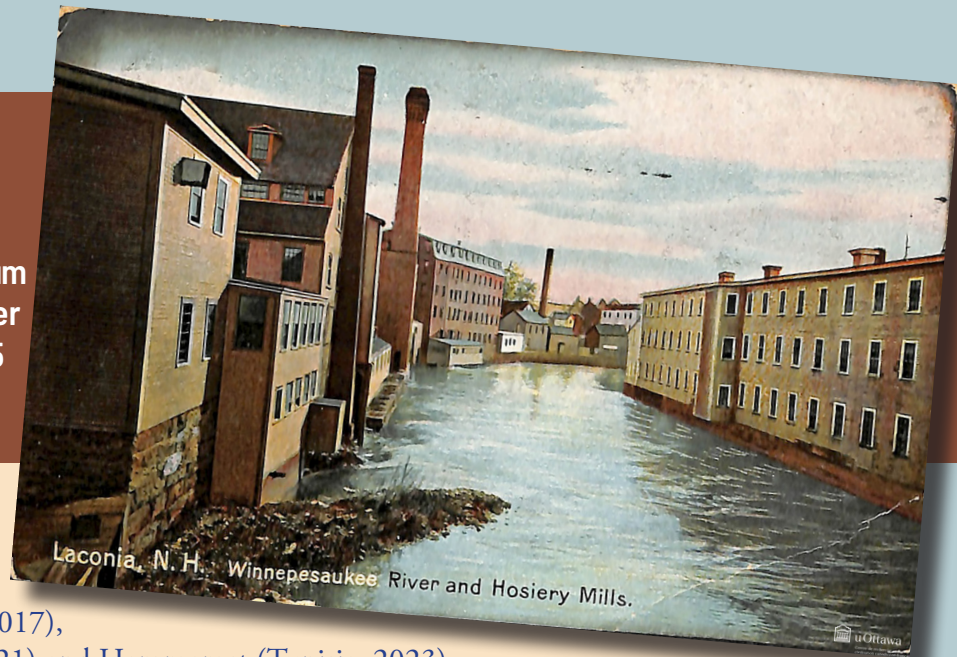


Call for papers

7th International *Language and Territory* Colloquium
The Power of Languages, Languages of Power
Ottawa (Canada), June 24th- June 28th, 2025



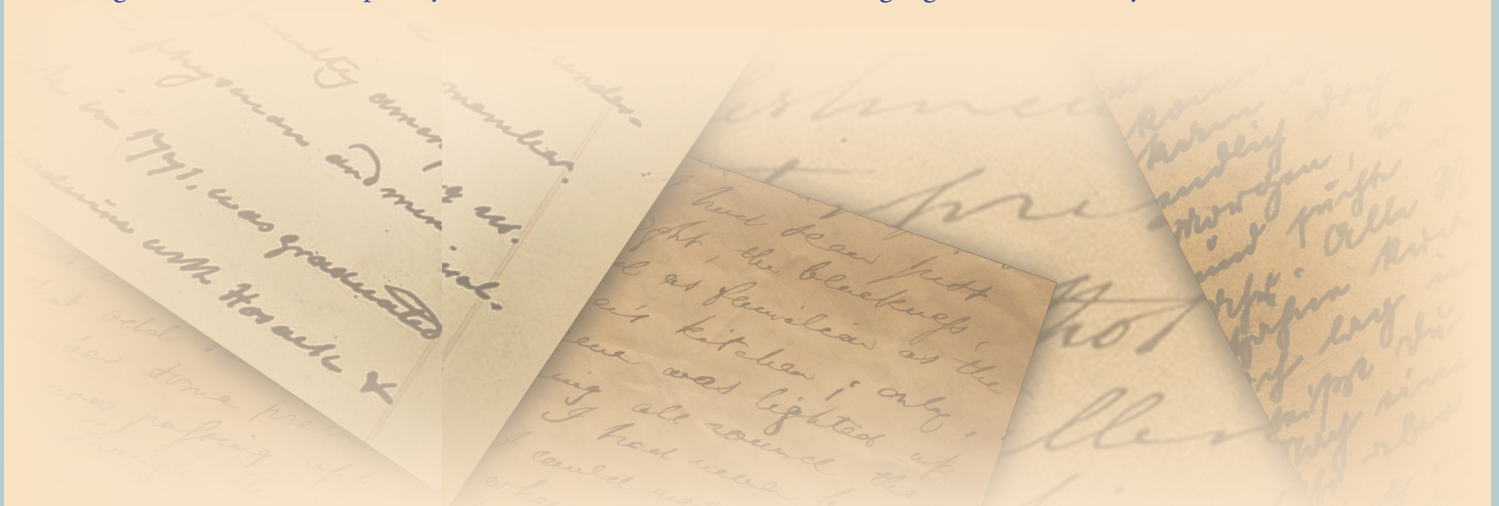
The International *Language and Territory* colloquia, held in Sudbury (Canada, 2010), Tbilisi (Georgia, 2015), Kenitra (Morocco, 2017), Trento (Italy, 2019), Montpellier (France, 2021) and Hammamet (Tunisia, 2023) brought together a large number of researchers from all over the world to discuss various themes and contexts in which language and territory are interrelated. On the occasion of the last edition of the colloquium, we are returning to Canada, more precisely to Ottawa, the national capital, where we will gather from June 24th to June 28th, 2025.

The dual concepts of language and territory refer to social structuring, space and a sense of belonging. Highly polysemic terms, their semantic contours vary according to usage, context, and aims. The representations they embody are sustained by underlying links and structures. Together, they evoke exchanges, movements and blending, but also withdrawal and conflict.

As in previous editions, the colloquium will discuss the different ways in which languages and territories are linked. It will explore the political, social and economic stakes that arise from the relationships between them. Above all, these concepts refer to discrete social practices and representations at the core of the logic of territoriality. New territories give rise to new language practices, which in turn create new spaces, discourse and meaning.

Canada recognizes French and English as official languages of equivalent status, but these two languages do not carry, everywhere, the same weight. Their symbolic and pragmatic value varies according to where they are spoken. This edition of the colloquium, being held in Canada's capital, invites us to reflect on the relationship between language and power, whether it be sociopolitical, economic, legal or psychosocial power, as well as on the emancipatory power that all languages can mobilize through communication, literature, education, historical memory, or other discursive modes.

For this 7th international colloquium, we invite papers or presentations across a broad range of disciplines in order to exchange views on the complexity of links and interfaces between language(s) and territory(ies).



Multi- and interdisciplinary interventions are welcomed. Examples of relevant topics include but are not limited to the following:

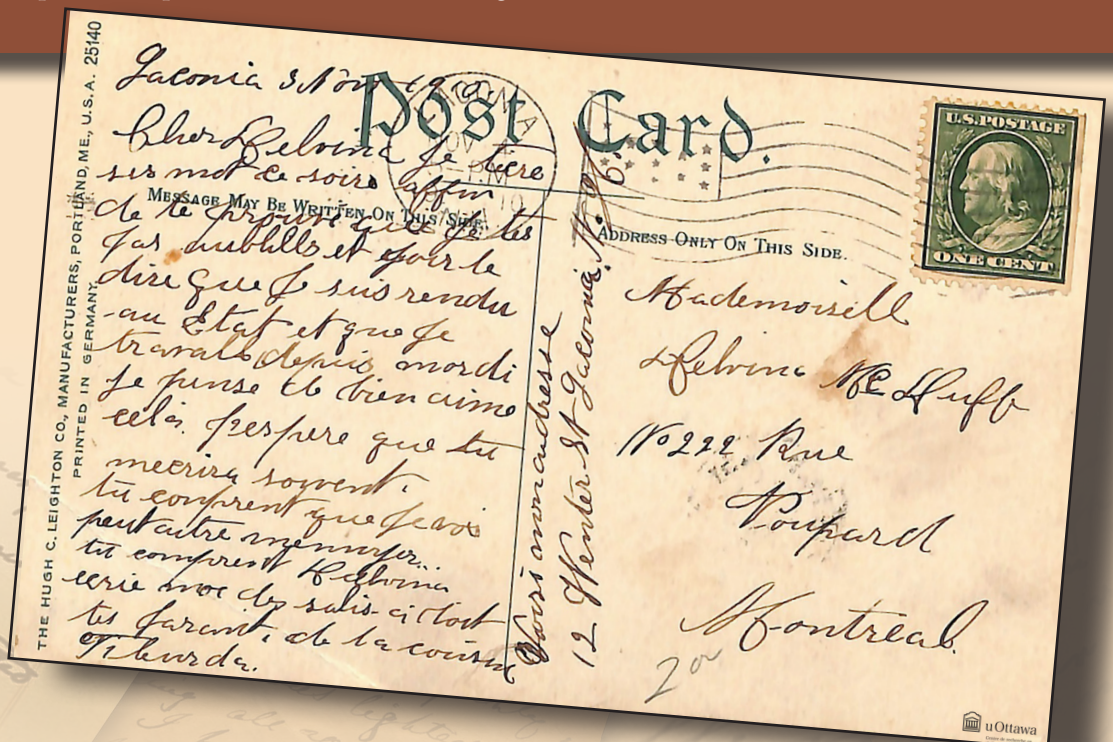
- Languages of power and power of languages
- Identity and linguistic (in)security
- Philosophy and language
- Religion, language and territory
- Language planning and bi/multilingualism
- Linguistic minorities and majorities
- Economics and language
- Linguistic conflicts and language contacts
- De- and reterritorialization of languages
- Linguistic mobility and globalization
- Sociolinguistics and urban ecology
- Linguistic engineering and computational linguistics
- Literature and literary geography
- Linguistic rights and politics
- Virtual and digital territories
- Education and language
- History and language
- First Nations languages and territory

To present a paper at the conference

You are invited to submit a proposal for an individual paper or a session. All proposals will undergo a blind review by the scientific committee.

The deadline for individual or session proposals is **Friday, August, 16th, 2024**. Please forward your proposal, in the indicated form, to colloque.crccf@uottawa.ca.

The colloquium will be held in person. Papers may be delivered in English or French.



Individual papers

Individual presentations are limited to 20 minutes followed by a question period of 10 minutes.

Please send proposals in Word format (font type and size Times Roman, 12 points) and include the following information:

- Civil or professional title (Prof., Dr., Mr., Mrs., Ms.)
- First name
- Last name (in UPPER-CASE letters)
- Institutional affiliation
- Postal address
- E-mail
- Status (faculty member, researcher, graduate student)
- Title of paper (20 words maximum)
- Keywords (10 words maximum)
- Abstract of the paper (250 words maximum)

Session

Ninety-minute sessions are comprised of three speakers. Each presentation is limited to 20 minutes, followed by a 10-minute question period. It is possible to have a session of four participants, but the 90 minutes will be maintained.

Please send proposals in Word format (font type and size Times Roman, 12 points), with the following information:

- Title of the session (20 words maximum)
- Description of the session (250 words maximum)

Include the following information for each speaker:

- Civil or professional title (Prof., Dr., Mr., Mrs., Ms.)
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