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### NEWS:

- The Applied Linguistics Association of New Zealand (ALANZ) is the New Zealand affiliate of AILA (The International Association of Applied Linguistics). Membership of the association provides access to a network of individuals interested and active in applied linguistics research; occasional research seminars are held and an annual research symposium. ALANZ also provides an outlet for publications in applied linguistics through the journal *New Zealand Studies in Applied Linguistics*. Areas of research which are of interest to ALANZ members include foreign and second language education, Maori language, cross-cultural pragmatics, speech and language disorders, language planning, and community languages.

### NEWS:

#### 19th ALANZ Symposium

- The 19th ALANZ Symposium *Languages and Literacies in the 21st Century: Language Education at the Crossroads* will be held on 29 November 2014 at the AUT City Campus in the Sir Paul Reeves Building (WG) . The new building is something AUT is very proud of so for those of you who are interested here' s a short video clip of what you can expect!

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- We' re planning to start at 9 but there will be drinks and snacks after the presentations so please plan to stay a little later than 5. The keynote speakers have been confirmed and we' re very pleased to say that Professor Stephen May of the University of Auckland, Professor Cynthia White of Massey and Dr Jonathan Newton of Victoria have all accepted our invitation.
- We' ll be putting up more details about the symposium in the near future .

### Thesis competition 2013

- Due to the changeover in the executive this has taken a little longer than we hoped but we plan to announce the results at the end of May.