

CALL FOR PAPERS

PACLIC 40 (2026)

The 40th Pacific Asia Conference on Language, Information and Computation

December 10-12, 2026 | Taipei, Taiwan

Overview

The long tradition of PACLIC conferences emphasizes the synergy of theoretical analysis and processing of language—from theoretical frameworks to cognitive accounts, from lexical processing to language understanding, and from computational modelling to multilingual applications.

The most important purpose of PACLIC conferences is to provide a forum where researchers in different fields of language study in different areas in the Pacific-Asia region working on issues pertaining to different languages can come together and talk, get to know each other, learn old wisdom, be enlightened by new insights and generally get entertained intellectually, and come home ready to initiate a new research program with new research partners in a new state of mind.

We value talks on linguistic principles and implementation details, massive data collection and extraction of abstract rules, automated proficiency evaluation, and philosophical contemplation on language learning, although pure theory and pure technology will also be appreciated. We welcome bilingual or multilingual research, while due respect will be paid to monolingual research.

Important Dates

Event	Date
Paper submission deadline	August 1, 2026
Notification of acceptance	September 30, 2026
Camera-ready papers due	October 9, 2026
Early registration	November 20, 2026
Conference dates	December 10-12, 2026

All deadlines are 11:59 PM [UTC-12h](#) AoE (Anywhere on Earth)

Submission Topics

PACLIC 40 has the goal of a broad technical program. Relevant topics for the conference include, but are not limited to, the following areas (in alphabetical order):

Language Studies

- Computer-mediated communication
- Corpus linguistics
- Discourse analysis
- Language acquisition
- Language documentation
- Language learning
- Language, mind, and culture
- Language theory
- Lexicography
- Morphology
- Multilingualism
- Phonology
- Pragmatics
- Psycholinguistics and cognitive linguistics
- Semantics
- Sociolinguistics and linguistic variation
- Spoken language processing
- Syntax
- Typology

Information Processing and Computational Applications

- Artificial intelligence
- Cognitive modeling of language
- Dialogue and interactive systems
- Digital humanities
- Information retrieval/extraction
- Language resources
- Machine learning/Data mining
- Machine translation
- Multilinguality in NLP
- NLP applications
- Sentiment analysis and opinion mining
- Social media
- Text classification/summarization
- Word segmentation

Paper Submission Information

Submission Platform

Please submit your papers to <https://cmt3.research.microsoft.com/PACLIC2026>. The Microsoft CMT service was used for managing the peer-reviewing process for this conference. This service was provided for free by Microsoft, and they bore all expenses, including costs for Azure cloud services as well as for software development and support.

Manuscript Format and Templates

- Papers must follow the **ACL 2026 two-column format**, using the supplied official style files. The templates can be downloaded from the [ACL style files repository](#).
- **Please do not modify these style files**, nor should you use templates designed for other conferences. Submissions that do not conform to the required styles, including paper size, margin width, and font size restrictions, will be rejected without review.

Verification

To guarantee conformance to publication standards, we will be using the [ACL Pubcheck tool](#). The PDFs of camera-ready papers must be run through this tool prior to their final submission, and we recommend its use also at submission time.

Paper Format

- Paper submissions must describe substantial, original, completed, and unpublished work. Wherever appropriate, concrete evaluation and analysis should be included.
- Papers may consist of **up to eight (8) pages of content**, excluding references and appendices. Submissions will be judged based on relevance, technical strength, significance and opportunities, and interest to the attendees.
- As the reviewing will be **double-blind**, authors must not indicate their names and affiliations while submitting their papers.

Publication Information

Conference proceedings will be published in **open-access digital formats**. Past PACLIC proceeding papers have been indexed in **Scopus** (since PACLIC 19 in 2005) and listed in **ACL Anthology**. According to Google Scholar, PACLIC currently has an **h5-index of 13** and an **h5-median of 18-19**.

Presentation Mode

Papers will be presented **orally or as posters** as determined by the program committee. The decisions as to which papers will be presented orally and which as poster presentations will be based on the nature rather than the quality of the work. There will be no distinction in the proceedings between papers presented orally and as posters.

Authorship

The author list for submissions should include all (and only) individuals who made substantial contributions to the work presented. Each author listed on a submission to PACLIC 40 will be notified of submissions, revisions, and the final decision. **No changes to the order or composition of authorship may be made after the paper submission deadline.**

Submission Limits: Each author may submit only one manuscript as the primary author, while being allowed to appear as non-primary author on multiple submissions.

Citation and Comparison

You are expected to cite all refereed publications relevant to your submission, but you may be excused for not knowing about all unpublished work (especially work that has been recently posted and/or is not widely cited). While not citing such unpublished works upon submission is not sufficient grounds for paper rejection, you are expected to cite such relevant work in camera-ready, if notified about it by reviewers.

In cases where a preprint has been superseded by a refereed publication, the refereed publication should be cited instead of the preprint version. Papers (whether refereed or not) appearing less than 3 months before the submission deadline are considered contemporaneous to your submission, and you are therefore not obliged to make detailed comparisons that require additional experimentation and/or in-depth analysis. However, you are expected to mention such works in your submission and list their published results if they are directly relevant.

For more information, see the [ACL Policies for Submission, Review, and Citation](#).

Multiple Submission Policy

Double submissions with other conferences/workshops are allowed, but authors are asked to declare it at submission time.

Ethics Policy

Authors are required to honor the ethical code set out in the [ACL Code of Ethics](#). The consideration of the ethical impact of our research, use of data, and potential applications of our work has always been an important consideration, and as artificial intelligence is becoming more mainstream, these issues are increasingly pertinent. We ask that all authors read the code and ensure that their work conforms to this code. Where a paper may raise ethical issues, we ask that you include in the paper an explicit discussion of these issues, which will be taken into account in the review process. We reserve the right to reject papers on ethical grounds, where the authors are judged to have operated counter to the code of ethics or have inadequately addressed legitimate ethical concerns with their work.

Optional Supplementary Materials

Appendices, Software, and Data

Each PACLIC 40 submission can be accompanied by an appendix, which will appear in the main paper's PDF after the bibliography. A submission may also be accompanied by one .tgz or .zip archive containing software and one .tgz or .zip archive containing data. PACLIC 40 encourages the submission of these supplementary materials to improve the reproducibility of results and to enable authors to provide additional information that does not fit in the paper. However, the paper submissions need to remain fully

self-contained, as these supplementary materials are completely optional, and reviewers are not even asked to review or download them. Supplementary materials need to be fully anonymized to preserve the double-blind reviewing policy.

Instructions for Double-Blind Review

As the review process is double-blind, papers must not include authors' names or affiliations. Furthermore:

- Self-references or links (such as GitHub) that reveal the author's identity, e.g., "We previously showed (Smith, 1991)..." must be avoided. Instead, use citations such as "Smith previously showed (Smith, 1991)..."
- Papers should not refer, for further detail, to documents that are not available to the reviewers. Use third-person or named reference to this work ("Smith showed" rather than "we showed").
- If important citations are unavailable to reviewers (e.g., awaiting publication), these papers should be anonymized and included in the appendix.
- Papers accompanied by resources (software and/or data) described in the paper should also be anonymized.

Papers that do not conform to these requirements will be rejected without review.

Presentation Requirement

All accepted papers must be presented at the conference in order to appear in the proceedings. Authors of papers accepted for presentation at PACLIC 40 must notify the program chairs by the camera-ready deadline if they wish to withdraw the paper.

At least one author of each accepted paper must register for PACLIC 40 by the early registration deadline.

Conference Format

PACLIC 40 will be held in person, with limited flexibility for alternative participation. At least one author of each accepted paper must attend the conference. In-person attendance is strongly encouraged.

Contact

For questions, please contact the program chairs at: pacllic2026@gmail.com