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Eastern to Host Foreign Language Alliance Workshop

Willimantic, CT – The Foreign Language Alliance of Eastern Connecticut (FLAEC) will hold a workshop on Nov. 9 on how to use storytelling to teach foreign language. The workshop will take place from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. in the President’s Dining Room of Hurley Hall at Eastern Connecticut State University. Hurley Hall is located on Eastern’s North Campus.

The conference will feature a storytime session in Catalan, a Spanish dialect, as well as a question and answer session prepared by members of the FLAEC steering committee.

“The conference will be an articulation between the different levels of language education, and an opportunity for educators at all levels to see how storytelling can be a dynamic approach to teaching,” said Sonia Cintron-Marrero, associate professor of Spanish at Eastern and FLAEC co-chair. “This organization provides a wonderful opportunity for foreign language teachers to get together, share ideas and learn innovative techniques in the teaching of languages.” The conference will also feature DVD clips from the 2005 Year of Languages Film Review.

The FLAEC, created in 1996, is an outreach program of Eastern's Department of Modern and Classical Languages and serves 37 public schools east of the Connecticut River. A steering committee of 10 foreign language educators from Eastern and K-12 schools set policy and programs in the area of world language and promotes world language study.

This event is open to the public for a cost of \$5 for non-alliance members. All persons interested in attending should contact Kim Renaud in the Department of Modern and Classical Languages at Eastern by calling (860)-465-4571.