Award Recipients in 2009

Best Presentation Award - Chun-Min (Arthur) Wang, Ph.D., National Hsinchu University of Education, Taiwan

Title: US-Taiwan Cross-culturally Online Collaboration for Learning: The Perspective from Taiwanese College Students

Abstract: The purpose of this presentation is to share an innovatively online learning experience between US and Taiwanese college students. By using facebook and



other Web 2.0 applications, students from US and Taiwan became learning partners and formed groups to work together on their assignments. In this presentation, the challenges encountered and the ways to improve the cross-culturally online collaboration will be shared. Additionally, a recommended procedure to implement cross-culturally online collaboration is also proposed.

Best Student Presentation Award - Guoqiang Cui, Doctoral student, Virginia Tech

Title: Effectiveness of Cell Phone Usage in China's EFL Classroom

Abstract: Among all the mobile devices, cell phone is the most popular tool and is becoming a necessity to people in their daily lives. Recently, educational utilization of cell phone is greatly discussed and proven to be an effective tool in many fields of education. However, there is less evidence on how effective it is in EFL education. Authors will apply what they discovered in their previous study to the



practice and adopt cell phone in EFL teaching and learning at Yantai University in China to discover its effectiveness in foreign language teaching. Results will be later reported at the conference.