

## **Assistant Professor Dr. Ratchaporn Rattanaphumma**

Awarded St. Thomas Aquinas Award for Research (Third Class)

### **Citation**

Assistant Professor Dr. Ratchaporn Rattanaphumma received Bachelor's degree in English from Chulalongkorn University, Master of Arts in International Relations from Northeastern Illinois University, and Ph.D. in English as an International Language from Chulalongkorn University.

She joined Assumption University in 2006 and she is currently an Assistant to the Dean of the Institute for English Language Education (IELE) and the Program Director of Master of Arts in English Language Teaching, Graduate School of English.

Assistant Professor Dr. Ratchaporn's professional and research interests include course design in second language classroom, English as an international language, World Englishes, English as a lingua franca, language and identity, and intercultural perspectives. Her research studies have been published in proceedings of international conferences and international journals.

Assistant Professor Dr. Ratchaporn has always realized that pursuing professional development is an illumination of the inner work of teaching. In this regard, she has carried out a number of action researches to solve teaching and learning problems, improve practice, and enhance her understanding. One of her teaching belief that has been led to a teaching approach is "inquiry-based" instruction. She has consistently inspired her students to be young researchers. In the meantime, she has integrated "inquiry-based" or so called "research-based" approaches into her classrooms. Her undergraduate students have been assigned one individual research study to construct both theoretical and practical knowledge.

The highlights of Assistant Professor Dr. Ratchaporn's research publications are as follows:

- Rattanaphumma, R. "Link between English as an international language and students' views on English" The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual ILAC International Conference, Suan Dusit Rajabhat University, Bangkok, July 2015, pp. 273-281.
- Rattanaphumma, R. "ELF Learners and Their Refusal Strategies: The Use of English in ELF Contexts" The Seventh International Conference of English as a Lingua Franca, The American University of Greece, Athens, September 2014, (forthcoming).
- Rattanaphumma, R. "English as a lingua franca: ELF learners' views on variety of English and cultural identity" The European Conference on Language Learning (ECLL 2013), Brighton, UK., July 2013, pp.519-527.

- Rattanaphumma, R. “Reconsidering objectives of language learning in English as a lingua franca context” Proceedings in The Third Conference on Foreign Language Learning and Teaching (FLLT2013), Thammasat University, Bangkok, 2013, pp.456-462.
- Rattanaphumma, R. “Designing a Language Course in English in a Lingua Franca (ELF) Settings: Perception and Practice” ABAC Journal 2012: 32(2), pp. 1-8.
- Rattanaphumma, R. “Teaching English as a Lingua Franca: A Case in an International University Context” Proceedings in The 2012 International Conference “Cultural and Linguistic Diversity in ASEAN”, Suan Dusit Rajabhat University, Bangkok, 2012, pp. 255-267.
- Rattanaphumma, R. “Accents, Teaching Practices: Which One Is More Significant in Language Teaching in ELF Context?” Proceedings in The Fifth International Conference of English as a Lingua Franca, Bogazici University, Istanbul, 2012, pp. 143-150.
- Rattanaphumma, R. “Illustration of test development project assessment and evaluation of EP teachers” Galaxy 2010, pp.29-39.
- Rattanaphumma, R. “An ESP program for caddies” Galaxy 2009, pp.1-11.
- Rattanaphumma, R. “Issues and implications of World Englishes for teaching English in the expanding circle” Galaxy 2007, pp.15-21.

Assistant Professor Dr. Ratchaporn has also contributed to research and academic services as peer reviewer, external examiner, and guest commentator for Ph.D. research seminars.

For all of her commitment and dedication to the research and academic production, Assumption University is pleased to confer the St.Thomas Aquinas Award for Research (Third Class) on Assistant Professor Dr. Ratchaporn Rattanaphumma on this auspicious date of December 24, 2015.