Dear GAFSU members and partners:

The GAFSU Secretariat and the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM) recently published the **Call for Papers** to participate in the **Colloquium on Best Practices in Foreign Language Teaching 2020**, which will be held on September 28th and 29th at the main campus of UNAM in Mexico City.

The purpose of this Colloquium is to share what is considered the best practices in the teaching of a foreign language in different academic contexts.

The Colloquium is open to all GAFSU members (researchers, scholars and experts), and has a **deadline for submission** of works/papers on **June 12th**.

The Colloquium will discuss the following two main topics:

· The Use of Technology in the Foreign Language Classroom.

· Intercultural Experiences in different contexts.

In addition, other working themes will be included in areas such as *Academic Writing*, *Curriculum Internationalization*, *Professional Development*, *Assessment*, *International Certification*, and *Linguistic Policies*.

The working language will be in English, and the papers should be submitted to the email:  [bestpractices2020@unam.mx](mailto:bestpractices2020@unam.mx)

For more details, please find attached the “Call for Papers”, Reply Form, as well as the draft of the preliminary program.

Thank you as always for your support to GAFSU. We are looking forward to welcoming you at Mexico City!

**Videos: UNAM’s Institutional Presentation**

 English: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9EUroERihT8>

 Spanish: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8VGgHcOO8TM>

 Chinese subtitles: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0PusEP_-b_c>

**About** [**UNAM**](http://english.unam.mx/)

The National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM) is one of the most ancient universities in the Americas, founded in 1551. It is considered the best university of Mexico and ranked among the most prestigious and largest in the Spanish-speaking world. It is also included in the top 50 worldwide in 14 fields of knowledge. Its main campus was declared as a Cultural Heritage site in 2007 by UNESCO. All Mexican Nobel laureates (Peace, Literature and Chemistry) are either alumni or faculty of UNAM.

In the academic year 2019-2020, more than 360 thousand students were enrolled at UNAM of which 8.7% are graduate students, 58.8% undergraduate students and 32.2% high school students.  Its faculty is integrated by 41,300 scholars.

At UNAM, there are 129 undergraduate degrees (the newest ones were created in 2019), and also has an Open, Distance and Online University System. Furthermore, within its curricula there are also 41 graduate programs and 42 specialization programs integrated by 263 concentrations in the areas of Physic and Mathematical Sciences; Engineering; Biological, Chemistry and Health Sciences; Social Sciences Humanities and Arts.

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