**Trinity Lancaster Corpus Early Access Data Grant Scheme – Application Form**

[The ESRC Centre for Corpus Approaches to Social Science](http://cass.lancs.ac.uk/) (CASS), Lancaster University and [Trinity College London](http://www.trinitycollege.com) are pleased to announce the Trinity Lancaster Corpus Early Access Data Grant Scheme.

Please read the following information, then complete this application form and email it to Dana Gablasova ([d.gablasova@lancaster.ac.uk](mailto:d.gablasova@lancaster.ac.uk)) **by Friday, 20th January 2017**. You will be notified of the outcome of your application via email **in early February 2017.**

Guidelines for application and notes on the *Early-Access Subset of the Trinity Lancaster Corpus* (hereafter: the EAS):

The data

1. The EAS is a subset of the Trinity Lancaster Corpus that is approximately two million words in length. The corpus includes transcribed interactions between candidates and examiners from B1 to C2 level of the Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR). Each candidate participated in two to four speaking tasks (depending on the proficiency level).

* For more information about the corpus see:

Gablasova, D., Brezina, V., Mcenery, T., & Boyd, E. (2015). [Epistemic stance in spoken L2 English: the effect of task and speaker style](http://applij.oxfordjournals.org/content/early/2015/10/31/applin.amv055.full.pdf+html). *Applied Linguistics*.

* For more information about the type of language included in the corpus see [examples of the tasks](http://applij.oxfordjournals.org/content/early/2015/10/31/applin.amv055/suppl/DC1).

1. Successful applicants will be granted access to the EAS via the SketchEngine platform. Only those applicants who are named in the application form will be granted access to the EAS.
2. All named applicants must possess a **SketchEngine** user account at the point of data release. To create a user account, please visit <https://www.sketchengine.co.uk> or ask your institution for a subscription.

The proposal

1. Proposals may be between 300 and 500 words in length, excluding any references.
2. Proposals can approach the data from any theoretical angle, provided corpus methodologies are used and the research can be carried out within the affordances of SketchEngine.
3. Proposals may involve at most three applicants (one lead investigator and up to two collaborators). Applicants may be involved in a maximum of one proposal.

The research

1. Successful applicants will receive access to the EAS in **February 2017**,and undertake to complete their proposed project and write it up as a full-length paper. This paper is to be submitted by the deadline **31st** **October 2017**. Subject to peer review, this paper will be published in one of the Trinity Lancaster Corpus launch publications: a special issue of *the International Journal of Learner Corpus Research* or an edited volume published by a major publisher. This paper should be between 7,000 words and 8,000 words in length, inclusive of all associated text (title, abstract, references, appendices, etc.).
2. Data grants will be allocated to a maximum of twenty successful proposals.

**Application Form**

**Title of proposed research:**

Lead applicant

Surname:

Forename:

Affiliation:

Email address:

Second applicant (if applicable)

Surname:

Forename:

Affiliation:

Email address:

Third applicant (if applicable)

Surname:

Forename:

Affiliation:

Email address:

**Research proposal (between 300 and 500 words, excluding references):**