



Backchanneling and Digital Literacies

November 11th, 2022
Language Resource Center





Backchanneling

- **Linguistics (pragmatics and discourse analysis)**
 - The feedback which a listener gives to a speaker to show that (s)he is following, or understands what the speaker is saying
- **Computer-Assisted Language Learning**
 - A conversation that runs concurrently with a face-to-face activity (often digitally-mediated), providing students with engagement opportunities



Why should we care?

- Equal opportunities to engage
- Peer assistance and feedback
- Community building
- Classroom management and logistics
- Digital literacies



Backchanneling in the Language Classroom



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Upcoming Events

- **Friday, November 18th, 2022 at 3pm (Virtually)**
 - Invited Guest Talk with Dr. Ana Oskoz
 - Digital Literacies and digitally-mediated writing
- **Tuesday, November 22nd, 2022 at 10am (Virtually)**
 - LRC Reading Group
 - *Writing with 21st century social tools in the L2 classroom: New literacies, genres, and writing practices* by Elola and Oskoz



Thank you.