



invitation

**Thursday**  
**18 June 2015**  
**15:00-16:00**

Amphitheatre Pefkios Georgiades,  
Andreas Themistocleous Building,  
Cyprus University of Technology,  
Athinon Street, Limassol

The Dean of the School of Health Sciences cordially invites you to an open lecture by distinguished Professor Mabel L. Rice on the topic:

**Language impairments in families and children's language growth: Moving forward in genetics inquiry**

*Prof. Mabel Rice* is an international authority on language disorders generally and the genetics of language acquisition. In particular, she has pioneered the identification of early clinical markers to help diagnose young children with language impairment, and her work in genetic and epidemiological discoveries is pioneering. She has made significant contributions to the development of tests to measure language impairment in young English-speaking children. In addition, a large outcome of her expertise has been on developing language intervention protocols. Her scope of clinical practice and research output is broad and, among many other topics, covers investigations on:

- specific language impairment (SLI), particularly in the domains of morphosyntax and vocabulary acquisition
- the genetics of language (*epigenetic and gene regulation models of SLI*)
- social competence and language

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*The lecture is open to the public and free of charge*