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## From the Editor...

Friends and Colleagues,

Greetings and welcome to our 2008 Fall issue. In this season for reading, I hope that this issue lives up to your expectations and provides you with some food for thought.

The Features section opens with **Miguel Sosa** and **Christine Pearson Casanave** making a strong argument against the use of control as a form of classroom management. They give a critical analysis of control and how it may appear in teachers' lives and argue that developing a deep understanding of our students and being flexibly prepared to respond to the unpredictability of teaching and learning are preferable to strict impositions. Following this, **Hideo Kojima** proposes the integration of three key concepts that have gained wide appeal in recent theory and research on language education – autonomy, reflection and collaboration. He gives examples of how he practices the integration of these concepts in his teacher education classes.

In the Research Digest section, **Tim Murphey**, **Miyoun Kim**, **Sayuri Kusutani**, **Judy Lawson**, **Makiko Sugawara** and **Naoki Yamaura** offer a collaborative account aimed at encouraging teachers to publish. Their own collaborative writing process serves as a model of the main points of their argument.

In our first article for a while in the Professional Development section, **Risa Aoki** describes her experience and development through observation of a more experienced teacher's class.

In the Opinion and Perspective section, **Tim Stewart** looks at three areas of reform in higher education in Japan—reform of national universities, faculty development, and learner autonomy.

In the Book Reviews section **Paul Rowan** reviews Mike Hood's recent textbook on Presentations, while in the Conference Reviews

section **Jonathon Harrison** reviews JALT CALL 2008, and **Dexter Da Silva** reviews the Japan Association for the Study of Cooperation in Education (JASCE) and its international parent's combined annual conference in June.

On the editorial team, we have another addition. **Glen Hill** takes over the Conference Reviews section. We also continue to make changes to our format as deemed necessary or preferable. As always, we welcome your suggestions and comments.

I hope you are stimulated by the following articles.

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*OnCUE Journal Editor*