

THE EDITOR'S REPORT

[The following is a slightly modified version of the annual report about *Language* for 2014 submitted by the editor, Greg Carlson, to the Executive Committee of the Linguistic Society of America for its consideration at its January meeting.]

CHANGES

In 2014 we were joined by Pieter Muysken and Chris Kennedy as associate editors. Many thanks to outgoing associate editors Elsi Kaiser, Jim McCloskey, and Shana Poplack for their excellent service to the journal. This was book review editor Helen Goodluck's first year, and all went extraordinarily smoothly, due to Helen's efforts and former book review editor Natsuko Tsujimura's foresightful planning.

The journal continued its digital publishing agenda with the appearance of papers in new online-only sections this past year: 'Historical Syntax', 'Language and Public Policy', 'Perspectives', and 'Teaching Linguistics' each made an appearance. The 'Phonological Analysis' section will make its own debut in the first 2015 issue. Late in the summer a new online submission system was introduced, the outcome of more than a year's work. Journal assistant Kerrie Merz and the LSA's Jessi Grieser are working closely with executive editor Stan Dubinsky and the other editors to try to get everything running smoothly.

LANGUAGE BY THE NUMBERS

Volume 90 of *Language* for the year 2014 consists of four issues comprising 1,003 pages. The print volume contains 20 articles, 4 short reports, 2 discussion notes, 1 review article, 1 obituary, 31 book reviews, and 3 letters. An additional 18 pieces were published in the online-only sections.

Papers submitted in 2013–2014. In all, 160 new submissions were received between November 16, 2013, and November 15, 2014. Of these, 31 were submitted to one of the online sections of *Language* and 129 to the print journal. By way of comparison, 173 manuscripts were submitted to *Language* during the same time period the previous year. Topic areas of the papers submitted to the main section of the journal are distributed as given in Table 1.

Decisions. Including papers submitted in 2013 but still under review, 9 papers submitted to the online sections were accepted, 7 were rejected, and 3 had revisions invited. Average time to decision was 12 weeks. For the print edition, including papers submitted the previous year but still pending action, a total of 124 papers were acted on between November 16, 2013, and November 15, 2014. In all, 25 papers were accepted, 33 were returned for revision with suggestion to resubmit, and 66 were rejected. Acceptance rate for all papers acted on in 2014 is 20 percent. Length of time between submission and decision for that time period ranged from 1 week to 75 weeks; the average time to decision was 20 weeks. This represents a 1-week reduction over the previous year.

AGENDA FOR 2015

We hope to begin instituting electronic publication of papers in advance of print, with the goal of becoming a fully electronic journal in the near future. *Language* remains open to proposals and ideas about its online-only organization and contents, and how it might enhance the Society's overall publishing activities.

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Semantics	17
Language Change	12
Morphology	9
Discourse Analysis	7
Language Acquisition	7
Sociolinguistics	7
Corpus Linguistics	5
Language Contact	5
Phonology	5
Pragmatics	5
Language Variation	3
Psycholinguistics	3
Writing Systems	3
Lexicography	2
Linguistics and Literature	2
Metatheory	2
Phonetics	2
Sign Language	2
Anthropological Linguistics	1
Gesture	1
Heritage Languages	1
Literature	1
Typology	1

TABLE 1. Submitted articles by area of specialization.

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