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## LSA Update

News from the  
Linguistic Society of America

Update #117 - October 26, 2017

### Utah Linguistics Department to Sponsor The Five-minute Linguist

The LSA is delighted to announce that the Department of Linguistics at the University of Utah will sponsor the Five-minute Linguist plenary contest event at the 2018 Annual Meeting. The sponsorship will enable videorecording of this popular event.



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**LSA Announces Winners of Four Awards**

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the LSA is designed to announce the winners of the Early Career Award, the Robert L. Hale Award, the Linguistics, Language, and the Public Award, and the Victoria A. Fromkin Lifetime Service Award. To read more about the awards, the award winners, and the citations for the awards, [click here](#).



## 2018 Annual Meeting News

Mark your calendars now for the [LSA's 2018 Annual Meeting](#) at the Grand America Hotel in Salt Lake City, Utah from January 4-7. Abstract notifications were sent September 11; please check your email inboxes and spam filters or [contact the Director of Membership and Meetings](#) if you did not receive a notification.

- Applications for CEDL Student Travel Grants are now available. These grants are designed to increase participation of ethnoracial minorities in the LSA Annual Meeting. Read more and apply [here](#). The application deadline is October 31. **The student travel grants are sponsored in part by [redfin.com](#).**
- Four Minicourses have been approved for the Annual Meeting. To find out more and to register for one, [click here](#).
- The bulk of the [Annual Meeting Schedule](#) is now online. LSA members may click the "Personal Schedule" tab to set up your personalized schedule.
- [Finalists have been announced](#) for the popular Five-minute Linguist plenary contest event which will be held on Friday evening, January 5. [The Department of Linguistics at the University of Utah](#) is sponsoring the Five-minute Linguist.
- Requests for ASL interpretation must be received by November 10. Read more [here](#).
- [Meeting preregistration](#) and [hotel reservations](#) are available through December 15

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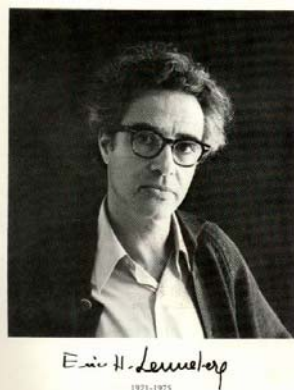
starting at the low rate of \$94/night!

- [Click here](#) for more information on local transportation, nightlife, dining, and more (.pdf).
- A preconference workshop on Data Management Plans for Linguistics will be held on Thursday, January 4 from 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM at the Grand America Hotel. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.
- 2018 Annual Meeting merchandise is now available at the [LSA Zazzle Store](#).

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## LSA Signs Multisociety Letter on September Immigration Proclamation

The LSA has signed on to a letter to the White House concerning the implications of its September 24 proclamation on visas and immigration. Read the letter [here](#). For a list of LSA resolutions, statements, endorsements, and related actions, click [here](#).



This month's feature on the history of linguistics seeks to bring to mind again a true classic of interdisciplinary studies in language, Eric Lenneberg's *Biological Foundations of Language*.

Lenneberg's book is widely considered to be one of the founding documents of the biological approach towards the study of the human language capacity, a (sub-)field that is now frequently referred to as biolinguistics. [Read more ...](#)

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## Votes Due No Later than November 4

If you have not already done so, please cast your vote on the Slate of Candidates for LSA Officers and Executive Committee members, and on a proposed amendment to the LSA Constitution, no later than Saturday, November 4. View the Slate of Candidates and proposed amendment [here](#), and vote [here](#) (login to LSA website required).

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## Linguistics In The News

Some of the most popular recent news articles on linguistic topics:

- ["The 300-word language that senior air crew must speak, whatever their nationality"](#) *News.com.au*
- ["It's True: Alcohol Helps You Speak a Foreign Language Better"](#) *Time*
- ["A Trove of Yiddish Artifacts Rescued from the Nazis, and Oblivion:"](#) *New York*

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## Other LSA Resources

The LSA maintains listings of [jobs](#), [conference announcements](#), [grant opportunities](#), in memoriam notices, and other news items of interest. [Submit a conference listing](#) or [contact the LSA](#) with news or other information.

LSA members can cause a portion of any purchase they make on Amazon.com to be donated to the LSA. [Learn more](#), or [make a tax-deductible donation](#).

Subscribe to RSS Feeds for [the latest issue](#) and the [Table of Contents](#) of *Language*.

LSA Student Members can submit their research to the [Student Research Spotlight](#).

Visit the LSA website for information on other LSA resources, including:

- [Linguistics and the News Media: An LSA Guide for Linguists](#)
- [Taking Linguistics to the Public: An Outreach Guide](#)
- [Linguistic Academic Depository](#)
- [LSA Jobs Center](#)

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