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# LSA Update

## News from the Linguistic Society of America

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### News from the 2019 Linguistic Institute

Fellowship applications are open through February 21 for the [LSA's 2019 Linguistic Institute](#) at the University of California, Davis. To read more about the fellowships and the application process, [click here](#). Applications are especially encouraged from underrepresented ethnic minorities, women, and individuals outside North America. Anyone, including fellowship applicants, who is planning on attending the Institute should also [register for it](#).

Be sure to follow the Institute on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) to be the first to hear about new developments!

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## **New Award Established in Honor of Late LSA Member Elizabeth Dayton**

The family of the late Elizabeth Dayton (University of Puerto Rico, Mayagüez Campus) has endowed a new travel award for a student attending the LSA Annual Meeting. Read more about the award [here](#), and read more about Dr. Dayton [here](#).

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### Three Generals Elected to Honorary Membership

The LSA is delighted to announce the election of three new Honorary Members at its recent Business Meeting in New York City. Pictured from left to right are Paul Boersma (University of Amsterdam), Laura J. Downing (University of Gothenburg), and Angela D. Friederici (Max Planck Institute for Human Cognitive and Brain Sciences). [Read more ...](#)

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### New Title Published in LSA/Routledge Book Series

The newest title in the LSA/Routledge Book Series, *Sign Languages: Structures and Contexts*, offers an introduction to the study of natural sign languages with a focus on American Sign Language. Proceeds from the sale of this book benefit the LSA. The book, co-authored by LSA members Joseph C. Hill, Diane C. Lillo-Martin, and Sandra K. Wood, covers the phonology, morphology and syntax of American Sign Language, the childhood acquisition of natural sign languages, and provides an overview of the social contexts in which language development takes place. [Click here](#) to read more about the book and [here](#) to purchase a copy from the publisher.

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### LSA Intern Staffing Changes

The LSA welcomes our newest intern, Meghan Birch (Georgetown University), pictured at left, and we thank our departing Intern Rachel Myers (Georgetown University), pictured at right, for her excellent service. The LSA engages interns during the Spring, Summer, and Fall. Interns learn more about the field of linguistics, the professional needs of LSA members, and the LSA's broader agenda to advance the scientific study of language. Interns also gain exposure to the workings of a small non-profit organization based in the nation's capital.

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### Meet the Winners of the 2019 Five-Minute Linguist

The 3rd Annual Five-Minute Linguist event played to a capacity crowd at the recent LSA Annual

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meeting in New York City. Congratulations to the winner, Anhangsun, professor at NYU, for "Why we Say Stuff," and to honorable mentions Andrew Cheng, for "Style-shifting, Bilingualism, and the Koreatown Accent" and Jessi Grieser, for "Black Language Matters, Especially in the City!" [Read more](#), and [see a recording](#) of the event.

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### Final Call for Applications for Co-Editor of *Language*

Expressions of interest in the position of Co-Editor of *Language*, the LSA's flagship journal, are due January 31, 2019. [Read more](#) about the position and how to apply.

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### LSA Governance News

LSA members are encouraged to review the minutes of the [Business Meeting](#) and [Executive Committee meeting](#) that took place earlier this month at the LSA's Annual Meeting in New York City.

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### Linguistics In The News

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

- "[UC Irvine linguist uses language and DNA to trace Latin America's African roots](#)" *Los Angeles Times*
- "[The internet is helping to revive minority languages](#)" *Horizon*
- "[What the earliest fragments of English reveal](#)" *BBC*

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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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