LSA Update

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2019 Linguistic Institute Begins
The 2019 Linguistic Institute at the University of California, Davis is off to a great start! Check out their Facebook page for photos, news, and more and their website for much more information.

The LSA is excited to feature several types of mentoring for Institute participants, including a directory of mentors, pop-up mentoring, and a variety of topic-specific mentoring sessions. Click here for more information on these and other special activities at the Institute.
Undergraduate Survey Launched
The LSA's Long-Range Strategic Plan for 2019-2023 includes as one of its goals and objectives to "support linguistics undergraduates in exploring the full range of professional and research opportunities available to them." Accordingly, the LSA has embarked on a wide-ranging assessment of the needs of linguistics undergraduates and recent graduates. Undergraduates and recent graduates please complete the survey here by July 31.

June Issue of Language Now Available
The June issue of Language is available on Project Muse! Topics in this issue include: language change across lifespan, child sensitivity to sound and meaning cues, and transcription accuracy of African American English. Head over to read these and more!
LSA to Host Webinar on Media Relations

Are you frustrated by the lack of informed coverage about linguistics by the popular news media? Are you curious about how to garner greater interest by the news media in reporting on your research? Then this webinar is for you! Learn from a panel of experts across the career span about how to begin (or enhance) your media relations work. The webinar will take place in mid August; watch this space for further details!

"Until we can see the bias [in our professional lives], we're inclined to perpetuate it without noticing" Meet Susan Kalt, the LSA's July Member Spotlight

Susan Kalt (Roxbury Community College) has been a member of the LSA for over 25 years. Click here for more about her research, her take on the LSA, and the challenges facing the field.

New Appointments to Language Editorial Staff, Program Committee

The LSA is delighted announce the appointment of Marlyse Baptista (University of Michigan) and Susi Wurmbrand (University of Vienna) as Associate Editors (AEs) of Language. Wurmbrand’s appointment provides an additional AE in the area of syntax, while Baptista’s, which will take effect in January 2020, is as a replacement for AE John Beavers, who will begin serving as Co-Editor of the journal.

In addition the LSA Program Committee welcomes three new members: Ruth Kramer (Georgetown), Emily Manetta (University of Vermont), and Ivy Sichel (University of California, Santa Cruz).

#LSA 2020 News

The abstract submission deadline for the 2020 Annual Meeting has ended, with two exceptions: students at the LSA’s 2019 Linguistic Institute at the University of California Davis and submitters of abstracts for the Five-Minute Linguist plenary contest may submit abstracts through July 12. Read the call for abstracts or submit your abstract directly here after logging in to the LSA website. Hotel reservations and meeting registration will be available beginning in September.

Welcome to Summer LSA Intern Shane Taylor

Shane Taylor, The LSA’s summer Intern, is in the MA program at San Diego State University, where he is concentrating on Computational Linguist
methods of sociolinguistic analysis, after completing an undergraduate double major in Linguistics and Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Studies at SDSU. His research interests are in the language variation of social minorities, particularly the LGBTQ+ population and how the intersection of sexuality and gender with other elements of identity affects language use.

Welcome, Shane! The LSA also thanks our spring Intern, Meghan Birch, for her outstanding service.

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**Call for Abstracts: Society for Computation in Linguistics (SCiL)**

The Society for Computation in Linguistics (SCiL) is one of the "Sister Societies" that co-locates its meetings with those of the LSA. [Read the SCiL Call for Papers.](#)

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**Linguistics In The News**

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

- "*Why Speaking Only English is Not Enough*" USNews.com
- "*Bothered by a foreign language? You forget American history*" Roanoke Times
- "*Korean language speakers should take pride in Konglish -- it's another wonderful example of linguistic diversity*" The Conversation

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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](#).

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LSA Student Members can submit their research to the [Student Research Spotlight](#).
Visit the LSA website for information on other LSA resources, including:

- Taking Linguistics to the Public: An Outreach Guide
- Linguistic Academic Depository
- LSA Jobs Center

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