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LSA Update

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Action Alert: Native American Language Revitalization

During the United Nations' [International Year of Indigenous Languages](#), the LSA has been working with its allies and partners to advance legislation in the US Congress focused on Native American Language Revitalization. If you are interested in taking action in support of this legislation, please visit the LSA webpage to review [background information](#) and then follow-up by contacting your member of Congress by [email](#) or telephone. We have partnered with the National Humanities Alliance (NHA) to host an [online facility](#) that will allow you to [email your member of Congress directly](#).

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LSA Awarded Grant on the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning

The LSA is pleased to announce that it has received a grant from the NSF focused on the the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (SoTL) in Linguistics.

The NSF-sponsored project involves the formation of a Faculty Learning Community (FLC) on SoTL for the 2019-2020 academic year. The community, facilitated by Principal Investigators (PIs)

Kazuko Hiramatsu and Michal Temkin Martinez, will be meeting online throughout the year, and will have two in-person meetings -- a satellite workshop at the end of the LSA's annual meeting on January 5th, and a weekend workshop in Idaho June 5-7, 2020. Limited spots have been reserved for LSA members to apply to participate in the FLC. [Read more and apply here](#) (by August 5).

LSA Awards News

The LSA's Committee on Endangered and their Preservation and Ethics Committee would like to request nominations for the [Excellence in Community Linguistics Award](#), an award that recognizes the outstanding contributions that members of language communities make for the benefit of their community's language. We encourage LSA members to consider nominating deserving individuals to this award. The call for nominations is available [here](#) and the deadline is September 30, 2019. If you have any questions regarding this award, please contact [Jorge Emilio Rosés Labrada](#) (CELP senior chair) and [Christine Mallison](#) (Ethics chair).

As a reminder, preliminary nominations for many other LSA Awards are due August 1. [Read more ...](#)

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Pictured at right: Nancy Richardson Steele (Karuk Tribe), Winner of the 2019 Excellence in Community Linguistics Award.

LSA Approves Revised Ethics Statement

We are delighted to announce that the LSA Executive Committee has approved revisions to the LSA's Ethics Statement, incorporating comments from LSA members and other interested parties. The [2019 Ethics Statement](#) provides members with an ethical framework and guiding principles that apply to all LSA-sponsored activities and all settings where linguists conduct their work. This statement aligns with other key LSA statements, such as the new [Civility Policy](#). In particular, the 2019 Ethics Statement expounds more fully on responsibilities to participants, communities, and the public, as well as to students and colleagues. The statement is now also accompanied by a list of further resources

that includes other ethics statements, guidelines, and related materials. [Read more ...](#)

Mark Your Calendars for Linguistic in the News: How to Own It!

Mark your calendars now for the next in the LSA's series of webinars on professional development topics! Linguistics in the News: How to Own It! will take place on Thursday, August 22 from 7:00 - 8:30 PM U.S. EDT.

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.

Read more and sign up for the webinar [here](#).

NIH Postpones Clinical Trial Rule Affecting Linguistic Research Involving Human Interventions

The NIH recently postponed implementation of a new rule that has long been opposed by the social science community as an over-reach in reclassifying research involving human interventions as clinical trials. Our colleagues at FABBS have been actively tracking this issue. [Read more ...](#)

2019 Linguistic Institute Wrap-Up (Text from Georgia & Raul)

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Emeritus) has been chosen for an Honoris Causa doctorate by the University of Murcia, with the support of the LSA and fourteen other institutions and professional organizations. He is only the second linguist--and the first nominated by the university's Department of English Philology--to receive such an honor.

[Read more ...](#)

Annual Meeting News

Submitters of Organized Session proposals for the LSA [2020 Annual Meeting in New Orleans, Louisiana](#) can expect to be notified about their proposals within the next few days.

Submitters of abstracts for regular poster and paper sessions will hear late during the week of August 19. Preregistration and hotel reservations will be available beginning September 1.

Infographics Requested for CELP/CoPP Project

The LSA's Committees on [Public Policy](#) and [Endangered Languages and Their Preservation](#) are collaborating on an initiative for The International Year of Indigenous Languages: a series of infographics compiling information on policies regarding indigenous language in the United States. We are seeking input from LSA members with expertise in language policy with either a current or historical perspective. If you are interested in contributing to this project, please contact [Evan Bradley](#) (CoPP) or [Jorge Rosés Labrada](#) (CELP).

Linguistics In The News

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

- "[Machine learning has been used to automatically translate long-lost languages](#)" *MIT Technology Review*
- "[Unique 'whistled' language now a university course](#)" *Daily Sabah*
- "[Why Has Language Changed So Much so Fast? 'Because Internet'](#)" *New York Times*

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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:

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