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# LSA Update

## News from the Linguistic Society of America

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### Special LSA Member Discount on Career Camp for Linguists

The LSA is pleased to offer a 40% discount (\$100.00) to LSA student members on [Career Camp](#). Career Camp, organized by LSA member and past co-convenor of the LSA's [Linguistics Beyond Academia Special Interest Group](#) Anna Marie Trester, is designed to help linguists bring language and communication skills to thinking about career. The five week Career Camp is activities, discussions, and exercises designed to help you find, refine, and practice stories that can be used in the texts and interactions which comprise jobsearching. Want to know more? [Attend an info session!](#)

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### September *Language* Article Examines Contraction in Scots

"Syntactic Variation and Auxiliary Contraction: The Surprising Case of Scots," by Gary Thoms, David Adger, Caroline Heycock, and Jennifer Smith, will appear in Volume 95, Number 3 (September 2019) of the LSA's flagship journal, *Language*. It is [available online now](#) at the [Project MUSE site for \*Language\*](#) under the auspices of the LSA's "Publish Ahead of Print" initiative. For more information, including links to a News Release and a short video of the authors discussing their work, [click here](#).

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### 2020 Annual Meeting News

Mark your calendars for Annual Meeting [preregistration](#) and [hotel reservations](#), both of which open September 1.

The LSA Program Committee is excited to announce the [lineup of Organized Sessions](#) that will take place at the 2020 Meeting.

If you submitted an abstract for a poster or a 20-minute paper, look for a notification late during the week of August 19.

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### LSA Internship Application Deadline Extended Through August 18

Applications are being accepted through August 18 for the position of Student Intern at the LSA's national office in Washington, DC for the Fall 2019 semester (Sept - Dec\*). This is a great opportunity to 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. This internship also provides exposure to the workings of a small non-profit organization based in the nation's capital. [Read more ...](#)

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**"The biggest challenge facing the field comes from its position as a nexus between so many different areas of inquiry and contexts of employment." Meet Daniel Ginsberg, our August Member Spotlight.**

An LSA member since 2010, Daniel Ginsberg is Manager of Education, Research and Professional Development at the American Anthropological Association and Anthropologist in Residence at American University. [Read more](#) about his career trajectory, his take on the LSA and the profession, his current work studying anthropologists' career outcomes, and his advice for students.

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### **August 22 Webinar to Provide Guidance on Media Relations for Linguists**

Space is still available 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. Eastern Time. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.

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### **Matching Grant In Effect Throughout 2019**

Former LSA President Steve Anderson (Yale University, Emeritus), has offered to match all donations made to the Society's [Open Access Publications Fund](#), up to \$10,000, between now and the end of 2019. Make your donation go twice as far! [Read more](#) or [donate now!](#)

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### **2019 Linguistic Institute Content Now Available Online**

Videos from lectures and closing ceremonies at the LSA's 2019 Linguistic Institute at the University of California, Davis are now available [here](#). Watch this space in the coming weeks for additional content, including instructional materials and syllabi.

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### **In Memoriam: Michael Montgomery**

The LSA reports with regret the July 24 death of Michael Montgomery (University of South Carolina, Emeritus), a member of the Society since 1979 and a renowned expert on Southern American English, Appalachian English, Ulster Scots, and the Scots-Irish influence on American English. [Read more ...](#)

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- "[Saving vanishing words: Why Queens is the 'Noah's Ark of languages'](#)" *Christian Science Monitor*

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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](#).

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