New chair of student committee, #LSA2020, Data Issues Workgroup, and More!

**LSA Update**

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#LSA2020 News
The LSA's 2020 Annual Meeting is coming up fast. Please note the following deadlines and other information in preparation for attending.

- December 11: deadline for [hotel reservations](#)
- December 13: deadline for [preregistration](#)
- December 13: register for a January 5 [minicourse](#)
- December 20: sign up for [pop-up mentoring](#)

Schedule change: Anne Charity Hudley's plenary talk on Saturday will take place from 10:30 - 11:30 AM, and the Saturday plenary poster session from 12:00 - 1:30 PM.
Student attendees can join a [2020 Annual Meeting Roommate Finder Facebook Group](https://www.facebook.com/groups/LSAVacancy/) to help them find up to three roommates at the Hilton New Orleans.

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**Election Results Announced**

In the elections that concluded on November 2, the following were elected as LSA officers, Executive Committee members, and editors of LSA journals.

- As Vice President/President-Elect: Laurence Horn (Yale University, Emeritus)
- As at-large Executive Committee members: Jennifer Bloomquist (Gettysburg College) and Chris Kennedy (University of Chicago)
- As Co-Editor of *Language*: John Beavers (University of Texas at Austin)

Read more about the candidates and LSA governance.

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**New Chair of Student Committee**

In the same elections, an amendment to the LSA Bylaws passed that provided for COSIAC, the Committee on Student Issues and Concerns, to nominate a chair from among its membership, similar to other open committees. (Previously, the Bernard and Julia Bloch Fellow served in this capacity *ex officio*.) The new chair, who had already been nominated by COSIAC members and provisionally approved by the LSA Executive Committee, is Alicia Chatten (New York University). The LSA looks forward to working with her on this important committee.

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**LSA to Host December 2 Webinar on Aligning Linguistic Research Incentives and Open Scholarship**

Come join this webinar to find out what linguistics departments are doing to develop open policies in a manner consistent with disciplinary norms and values. The webinar will be led by representatives from the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine's [Roundtable on Aligning Incentives for Open Science](https://www.engage.nap.edu/exhibitions/aligning-incentives-for-open-science), a multiyear project convening critical stakeholders to fundamentally improve the correlation between open practices, credit/reward systems, and research missions & values. Read more, register for the webinar, and meet the panelists.

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**LSA Seeks Spring Intern: Application Deadline November 25**
The LSA is seeking a student intern for the Spring semester (January - May). 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 and find out how to apply.

LSA-Sponsored Podcast Debuts
The LSA is delighted to announce the inaugural episode of Subtitle, a podcast of which the LSA is the lead sponsor. The podcast is produced by Patrick Cox, winner of the LSA's Linguistics Journalism Award in 2019, and supported in part by a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. Read more ...

Two Articles from December Issue of Language Available Ahead of Print
"Comparing solutions to the linking problem using an integrated quantitative framework of language acquisition", by Lisa Pearl and Jon Sprouse, and "The limits of meaning: Social indexicality, variation, and the cline of interiority", by Penelope Eckert, are available now on the Project MUSE page for Language through our publish-ahead-of-print initiative. LSA members can read the articles using institutional credentials or the LSA member dedicated access page -- see instructions here.

Inaugural Elizabeth Dayton Award Goes to Indiana Linguist
The inaugural Elizabeth Dayton Award will be presented to Valentyna Filimonova (Indiana University Bloomington) at the LSA's 2020 Annual Meeting in January. The Dayton award is given to a graduate student pursuing a specialization in sociolinguistics who demonstrates a distinguished level of scholastic achievement, and supports the student's attendance at the LSA Annual Meeting. Read more ...

LSA Appoints Data Issues Workgroup
Earlier this year, the LSA Executive Committee approved the appointment of an Ad-hoc Data Issues Workgroup, comprised of representatives of various LSA committees. The purpose of this workgroup is to explore mechanisms for enhancing the LSA's data collection, analysis and reporting about key demographic characteristics of the linguistics community, including the LSA's two online directories: 1) membership; and 2) departments and programs. The Workgroup has now developed a framework for this project, and we invite member comments and suggestions for the best ways to achieve our goals. Read more ...
COSSA Seeks Nominations for Public Impact Award; Deadline December 2

COSSA, the Consortium of Social Science Associations, is seeking nominations for its 2020 Public Impact Award. The award, established earlier this year, celebrates the many ways social and behavioral science research is being used to achieve notable improvements in communities. The nomination deadline is December 2. Read more and submit a nomination.

Linguistics In The News

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

- "The latest word on Planet Word: Downtown D.C.’s language museum is set to open in May" Washington Post
- Linguists Track Impact of Cognitive Decline Across Three Decades of One Writer's Diaries" Newswise
- "Fuhgeddaboutit! Sorry, But There Is No Brooklyn Accent" Gothamist

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:

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

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