The LSA is seeking to fill two part-time staff positions.

LSA Update

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Articles on Auxiliary Contraction, Attracting Black Students to Linguistics Available Ahead of Print

Two articles from Language Volume 97, Number 1 (March 2021) are available now at the Project MUSE site for the LSA's flagship journal through our Publish-Ahead-of-Print initiative. Click the links below to read Formal grammar, usage probabilities, and auxiliary contraction by Joan Bresnan and Attracting Black students to linguistics through a Black-centered Introduction to Linguistics course by Kendra Calhoun, Anne H. Charity Hudley, Mary Bucholtz, Jazmine Exford, and Brittney Johnson.

Access Language through an institutional subscription or using our dedicated member portal for the journal, which gives LSA members online access to articles from the past twenty years.
Section of Language

Join us on Friday, March 26 at 1:30 PM EDT to learn about the launch of Language Revitalization and Documentation, a new section of the LSA's flagship journal, Language. The new section will build upon the existing base of knowledge to serve as a new venue for peer-reviewed research articles in language revitalization and documentation. The webinar is open to scholars of all levels and backgrounds to learn more about the new section and gain insight into the kinds of papers that are likely to fit into the section. Read more and register for the webinar.

Help Complete the LSA's Matching Grant Challenge

We're nearly there! Former LSA President Steve Anderson and LSA Fellow Heidi Harley have pledged to make matching contributions in support of the LSA's Open Access (OA) publishing program, up to $10,000. As of March 15, we've met over 83 percent of our goal. Help us get the rest of the way: read more about Anderson and Harley's grants, have a look at the LSA's suite of OA publications, and make a contribution now.

The LSA in Action

Our advocacy work in March included a successful action alert to prevent amendments that would have eliminated targeted funding for the National Endowment for the Humanities under the recently enacted American Rescue Plan Act. LSA Executive Director Alyson Reed and members Michal Temkin Martinez and Julie Roberts participated in Humanities Advocacy Day, conducting virtual meetings with Congressional offices last week. The LSA was also active in opposing efforts in Iowa to eliminate tenure for professors employed by the state university system, endorsing a letter from the American Council of Learned Societies sent to state lawmakers.

Department News: New Language Policy and Planning Track for CCSU Applied Linguistics MA Program

The faculty in the Applied Linguistics program at Central Connecticut State University (near Hartford) is pleased to announce the launch of a track in Language Policy and Planning in their MA Applied Linguistics program.

Have news about your linguistics department or program that you'd like us to publicize in the LSA Update? Send it to lsa@lsadc.org.

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes, Financial Documents Available for Inspection

LSA members are invited to view the minutes (.pdf) of the most recent (February 17) meeting of the LSA Executive Committee and the LSA's IRS Form 990 (Tax Return) for 2020 (.pdf).
Check out the Women's History Month posts from our [This (Time) in Linguistics History archive](#).

### Linguistics In The News

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

- "[Mapping Máaz: NASA Uses Navajo Language To Name Features On Mars](https://www.npr.org/), National Public Radio"
- "[Mayor breaks language divide in mixed Romanian city](https://euobserver.com/), euobserver"

### 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](#). Complete your member profile to be entered in a prize drawing.

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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](#)
- [LSA Jobs Center](#)

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