Welcome to Krystal Bushell!

The LSA is delighted to welcome the newest member of our professional staff, Krystal Bushell, in the role of Meetings Manager.

Krystal is a Maryland native, returning to the area after working ten years in California. Krystal brings years of meetings planning experience to the LSA and is excited about helping the LSA to plan its signature events.

Krystal can be reached at meetings@lsadc.org.

Please join us in welcoming her to the LSA team!

March Webinar: Digital Collections and Endangered Languages

It is estimated that 32–50% of living languages are currently in some state of loss, and documentation of endangered languages is vital for preserving them.
Digital archiving has long been standard for linguistics, but the extent to which this material can be accessed and used for research and education varies. The webinar features the authors’ report on the preliminary results of an investigation into the accessibility, discoverability, and functionality of archives, and on the features of archival collections that make them more or less usable for users. In this talk, we review several facets of archives and their collections and discuss some of the ways in which archives and depositors can make collections more accessible, discoverable, and usable.

Join presenters Claire Bowern, Irene Yi, and Sarah Babinski for the next installment in our “In Case You Missed It...” as they discuss this important issue. There will be a question and answer session following the presentation.

Register for the Webinar via GoToWebinar

Recording of February Webinar with Michel DeGraff Available

The February 18th webinar with Michel DeGraff is available online.

The webinar is part of our “In Case You Missed It” series featuring presentations from our recent Annual Meeting. This webinar features MIT's Michel DeGraff and is entitled “On Impure Linguistics for Self-Purification and Direct Action.”

In Dr. DeGraff’s lecture and Q&A, he invited our colleagues to help explore the three-way gap between our linguistic ideals, the reality of discrimination, and the shortcomings of linguistic outreach, and ways to mend it. The presentation was made in English and Kreyòl with subtitles and ASL interpretation.

To view the webinar online visit https://youtu.be/N6QPJ-lBciY or click on the video link below.
Join the COGEL-sponsored Wikipedia Edit-a-thon on March 11th!

In honor of International Women's Day and Women's History Month, the Committee on Gender Equity in Linguistics (COGEL) is hosting its second annual edit-a-thon to improve the gender equity of representation among linguists on Wikipedia. Anyone is welcome to join in, whether you are an experienced Wikipedia editor or have never even thought about editing an article! LSA membership is not required.

The COGEL-sponsored edit-a-thon will be a virtual event, open for 12 hours on March 11th, to allow participants from different time zones to join in and work as part of a virtual community for as much time as you would like to contribute. To register online, visit shorturl.at/pINQ3

New Episode of Subtitle: ‘Manifesting’ the Language of Self-Help

If you've ever set boundaries, taken up a gratitude practice or manifested, you're already well-versed in the language of self-help. Over its long history, self-help has acquired its own lexicon, often repurposing words along the way. Nowadays, the flavor is American but that wasn't always the case. We delve into the past and present of self-help language with Kristen Meinzer, co-host of the podcast, By the Book. Listen to the latest episode online or on your favorite device. Sign up for the Subtitle mailing list to stay up to date on the podcast.
Advance Articles for March Issue of Language Now Available

In advance of our forthcoming March 2022 issue of Language, two advance articles are now accessible on Project MUSE! Click on the titles to read “Experimental evidence for expectation-driven linguistic convergence” by Lacey Wade and “Research Report: On Whorfian socioeconomics” by Thomas B. Pepinsky. Or access ProjectMuse via the LSA online portal at https://languagelsa.org/index.php/language.

Departmental News

The Linguistics Department at USC is holding the North American Summer School for Logic, Language, and Information this summer (June 17–24) in L.A. The Summer School has just extended its deadline for student grants to participate in the school. Graduate and advanced undergraduate students are encouraged to apply before March 3rd!

Application Link: https://ml-la.github.io/nasslli2022/studentgrants.html

In Case You Missed It ...

Media Resources List Available Online

The Linguistic Resources for the News Media page is now available on the LSA website. This resource is intended to assist journalists in identifying linguists knowledgeable about specific linguistic topics and languages and available for interviews with the news media on a timely basis. If you would like to nominate someone, including yourself, to be included on this list, please follow the application instructions at the bottom of the resources page. For any questions about the list and its operation, please contact Alyson Reed at areed@lsadc.org.

Linguistics In The Public Sphere
Some of the most popular recent news articles and other features on linguistic topics:

- [Black English Matters](#)
- [Why you can't stop playing Wordle, according to a computational linguist](#)

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### Other LSA Resources

The LSA supports the scientific study of language by creating great venues for linguists from all subfields to congregate and discuss research, innovation, and learning. It is a community of scholars and professionals who have a deep respect for the importance of an interdisciplinary community of peers.

- **LSA Listings**
  - [Job Listings](#)
  - [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.

- **Support the LSA**
  - 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](#).

- **Update Your Member Profile**
  - [Complete your member profile](#) to be entered in a prize drawing.

- **Stay Informed about Language**
  - Subscribe to RSS Feeds for [the latest issue](#) and the [Table of Contents](#) of Language.

- **Student Members**
  - 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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