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The *LSA Update* is a periodic electronic newsletter for LSA members, featuring news and information about current activities, programs, publications, resources, and other items of interest to the membership.

Did You Know?

About what fraction of LSA members who are faculty have tenure?

A) 3/4; B) 1/3; C) 1/2; D) 2/3

Answer: D) 2/3

Help us learn more about our members! [Log in](#) to the LSA website and click on the "Edit" tab underneath your name to complete the demographic information in your profile today. (Be sure to click the "Save" button at the bottom of the page when you have finished.)

LSA Annual Meeting Registration Now Open

Registration is open through December 15, and hotel room reservations through December 11, for the LSA's [2014 Annual Meeting](#). In addition to the usual scholarly, professional development and social activities, this meeting will feature a suite of panels, talks and celebrations highlighting the contributions of the LSA to the discipline over the past 90 years. Click [here](#) if you are interested in contributing material for a special 90th anniversary video.

Ballot for LSA Officers and Executive Committee Members and Constitutional Amendment

Voting for LSA officers (Vice President/President-Elect) and at-large members of the Executive Committee, as well as for a proposed amendment to the LSA Constitution, is open through November 2. View the [Slate of Candidates](#) and the [proposed amendment](#).

Call for Updates: LSA Directory of Departments and Programs

The LSA has upgraded its [directory of linguistics departments and programs](#) in the U.S. and Canada. The data included in this directory will be used to inform a comprehensive LSA annual report on the status of linguistics in higher education. The directory is also a valuable tool for prospective students considering a degree in linguistics.

If you are affiliated with an academic institution in this region, please check its listing for accuracy and report any errors or omissions to the "departmental contact" listed in the directory or to another appropriate administrator. Please encourage them to register online and make any necessary updates directly.

Honorary Member Nominations Sought through October 1

The LSA is seeking nominations for potential Honorary Memberships. Any foreign scholar of distinction in linguistic studies, not resident in the United States, is eligible for election as an Honorary Member. Nominations, including the nominee's name, contact information, URLs and CV (if possible), and justification paragraph(s) should be sent to lsa@lsadc.org by October 1, 2013. Nominees should look at the [list of current Honorary Members](#) for inspiration and to avoid duplication.

If you submitted a nomination last year and the individual was not elected an Honorary Member, you need not resubmit it. Nominations from previous years will remain in the pool of potential nominees

LSA to Co-sponsor CoLang 2014



The LSA is an official co-sponsor of CoLang 2014, the Institute on Collaborative Language Research (formerly InField), which will take place in June and July 2014, hosted by [The University of Texas at Arlington](#), with [Dr. Colleen Fitzgerald](#) as Director. CoLang 2014 is funded by a National Science Foundation grant, [BCS#263939](#) and by various units at UT Arlington. The theme of CoLang 2014 is Native American languages, but participants and instructors from countries all over the world are expected to attend. [Read more ...](#)

2015 Linguistic institute News



The LSA and the Directors of the 2015 Linguistic Institute are pleased to announce the following appointments: Drs. Andries Coetzee and Robin Queen (University of Michigan, Ann Arbor) as Associate Directors; Dr. Joseph Salmons (University of Wisconsin-Madison) as the ADS Professor, and (effective October 1) Dr. Laura Staum Casasanto as Project Manager.

The 2015 Linguistic Institute will be held from July 6-31 at the University of Chicago. This premier gathering of linguists from around the world will feature a full roster of dynamic courses, lectures, workshops and social events. Student fellowships will be awarded by the LSA and other sponsors on a competitive basis. The Linguistic Society of America has been the lead sponsor of the Institute since 1928. [Read more ...](#)

New Fund Created in Memory of Ivan Sag



The LSA has established a new contribution fund in memory of our late colleague Ivan Sag, who died September 10, 2013 following a long battle with cancer. The Ivan Sag Linguistic Institute Fund will support the continuing efforts of the LSA to sponsor and organize the biennial Linguistic Institute, including the un-named student fellowships and the Sapir Professorship. [Read more ...](#)

LSA to Publish Phonology Conference Proceedings

The LSA is pleased to announce a partnership with the organizers of [Phonology 2013](#), to publish the official proceedings of this new conference, planned in its first year for November 8-10, 2013 at the University of Massachusetts Amherst. [Read more ...](#)

LSA Announces 2014 Award Winners



The LSA is pleased to announce the winners of the Early Career Award, the Kenneth L. Hale Award, the Linguistics, Language, and the Public Award, the Student Abstract Awards, and the Victoria A. Fromkin Lifetime Service Award. Still to be announced



are Leonard Bloomfield Book Award and the Best Paper in *Language* 2014 Award, and the Excellence in Community Linguistics Award. [Read more ...](#)

LSA Publications News



The September issue of *Language* is off press; print subscribers will receive their copies in the next few weeks. [Read](#) a news release about this issue.

Language has added a new online-only section, "Perspectives," which is aimed at publishing articles that generate written responses. There are two types of contributions—longer ones ("Target articles") and shorter ones ("Short shots"). Both types will have commentaries published, and a summary response from the authors. Target articles will be selected on the basis of quality, readability, and whether they are likely to invite further productive discussion of issues of general interest to the field. [Read more ...](#)

-Other LSA Resources-

The complete contents of the LSA Archives, stored at the University of Missouri at Columbia, is searchable online. More information on these and on archives of LSA publications is available [here](#).

The LSA accepts job advertisements online, in print, and at the Annual Meeting. If you are interested in advertising a job position, please visit our [self-service job listing submission form](#), or e-mail [Rita Lewis](#).

The LSA maintains listings of conference announcements, grant opportunities, in memoriam notices, and other news items of interest. [Submit a listing](#).

Be sure to visit the LSA website for the most current information on:

- [Other meetings and calls for papers](#);
- [Jobs](#);
- [Grants, fellowships, and awards](#).

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