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## LSA Update

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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?

Which of the following is NOT an open-access publication of the LSA?

- a) Teaching Linguistics
- b) Dialogue and Discourse
- c) Semantics and Pragmatics
- d) Journal of Semantics
- e) Journal of Historical Syntax

Answer: d). The LSA publishes a wide range of journals and journal sections in open-access format. Read more about recent changes to the LSA publishing program [here](#).

### Thank-you to Natsuko Tsujimura, Outgoing Book Review Editor for *Language*



The LSA most sincerely thanks Dr. Natsuko Tsujimura (Indiana University), for her exemplary service as the outgoing Book Review Editor for *Language*, whose term of service concludes in January. The recent announcement of the appointment of Dr. Helen Goodluck to this position may have led to the mistaken impression that Dr. Tsujimura's service to the Society was anything other than completely satisfactory. The LSA regrets any misapprehension.

The Language Book Reviews, published online since 2007, have been an important part of the LSA's publishing program since the very beginnings of the Society. The first books received for review were listed in the [inaugural \(1925\) volume](#) of *Language*, and the [first book reviews](#) appeared the following year.

### LSA Election Results



LSA members recently elected a new Vice President/President-Elect and two new at-large members of the Executive Committee. [Read more ...](#)

## Ivan Sag Fund Passes Half-Way Mark



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. The fund is presently at

approximately 60 percent of its \$50,000 goal [Read more ...](#)

## LSA Student Internship Opportunity

### LSA Student Internship Opportunity

The Linguistic Society of America is seeking applications for the position of student intern at its national office for the Spring 2014 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. Interns will gain experience with writing, research, database management, social science policy, and a variety of administrative tasks. The position is open to undergraduate and graduate students enrolled in programs leading to a degree in linguistics or a related field.

Funding is available to support one part-time position @ 20 hours per week (stipend = \$2500). In order to receive a stipend, applicants must be U.S. citizens or foreign nationals with the appropriate work visa.

Please submit a cover letter, resume, and contact information for three academic/professional references to: [lsa@lsadc.org](mailto:lsa@lsadc.org), subject line: "LSA Internship Application." The deadline for full consideration is December 2, 2013.

## LSA Annual Meeting Registration Through December 15; Hotel Room Reservations Through December 11

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.

## 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.

## LSA Establishes Media Experts Database

The LSA has established a database of its members, experts on a variety of topics, who are willing to be contacted by the media. [Read more ...](#)

## LSA Signs On to Appeals to Legislators



The LSA has recently signed on to several letters, sent by scholarly organizations to legislators at many levels of government, on a variety of issues, but particularly with regard to ensuring adequate funding for linguistics and



related fields. For a list of these letters, [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](#).

WILMA, the Women In Linguistics Mentoring Alliance, provides women in linguistics with mentors to help them with professional development skills and advice at all stages of their careers: from undergraduates to women in senior positions. [Read more ...](#)

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](#);
- [Linguistics resources](#)
- [Jobs](#);
- [Grants, fellowships, and awards](#).

Many of these resources are made possible, in part, by generous donations to the LSA's various [contribution funds](#). Please consider making a tax deductible [donation](#) today.

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