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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.

Q: What percentage of current LSA members have indicated an ethnicity in their membership profile?

A. 19% B. 29% C. 39% D. 49%

A: B: 29%. Reporting your ethnicity is not required, but will help the LSA to gather more accurate demographic information about its members.

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Call for Abstracts, 2015 Annual Meeting

Abstracts for the [2015 Annual Meeting](#) (January 8-11, Portland, Oregon) will be accepted from July 1-31 on the LSA website. [View the abstract submission guidelines.](#)

2015 Annual Meeting Minicourses: Python, Praat, Professional Skills

The Program Committee has proposed, and the Executive Committee approved, a suite of three "minicourses" to take place on Thursday, January 8, 2015, immediately preceding the Annual Meeting. These are: Python (taught by Robert Daland (UCLA)), Praat (taught by Kevin McGowan (Stanford)) and a professional skills course proposed by the Committee on Linguistics in Higher Education and taught by a team of committee members. There will be a nominal surcharge to attendees for participating in one of these minicourses. Watch the [Annual Meeting web page](#) for more information.

CoLang 2014 News



Early Bird Registration through June 16

In order to make CoLang 2014 prices affordable to as many people as we can, early bird registration prices will be in effect through the first day of CoLang 2014, June 16. Registration is \$750 for the two weeks session, and \$2250 for the six weeks session. Room is still available in the field methods sections, and additional second sections are being opened in various topics, including *Orthography*, *Grantwriting*, *Transcription*, and *Life in Communities*.

For housing and/or meal purchases to be guaranteed, they must be purchased and paid in full by Wednesday, June 4.

Participants and instructors will number around 200, representing over 20 different North American tribes and 15 different countries worldwide. In addition to the many scheduled workshops for registered participants, there will be a number of public talks on language documentation and revitalization projects, including from First Nations projects in British Columbia, the Chickasaw Language Revitalization Program, Wuqu' Kawoq in Guatemala, Yunnan Province in China, and northeast India. CoLang 2014 will feature the Texas-premiere of two movies, *Navajo Star Wars* (the sci-fi classic dubbed into the Navajo language, with English subtitles), and *Language Healers*, with award-winning director Brian McDermott on hand for a q&a.

Full information on CoLang activities can be found online at <http://tinyurl.com/colang2014> and our registration site is at <http://tinyurl.com/Register4CoLang>, with links to paper registration if needed.

2015 Linguistic Institute List of Courses, Named Professorships



The next [Linguistic Institute at the University of Chicago](#) will take place from July 6-31, 2015. View the list of courses [here](#). The LSA has co-sponsored the Linguistic Institutes since their inception in 1928, providing administrative support, funding for named professorships and fellowships, and administering a competition that has provided tuition fellowships for thousands of students over the years.

Dan Jurafsky (Stanford University) has been approved as the Charles Fillmore Professor at the 2015 Institute, pursuant to terms of the [generous bequest](#) made by our late colleague's widow, Lily Wong Fillmore. Jurafsky will be the inaugural holder of the position.

Call for Satellite Workshop Proposals, 2016 Annual Meeting

The LSA will entertain proposals for satellite workshops to be held immediately before or after the LSA's **2016** Annual Meeting, which will be take place in Washington, DC from January 7-10. Workshops may be on any topic of interest to participants in the Annual Meeting, and typically take place during the one or two days immediately preceding or following the main meeting, sometimes with overlap on the first or last day.

Preliminary workshop proposals, not to exceed three pages, should be submitted to the LSA Secretariat with sufficient lead time to allow for approved proposals to seek any necessary external funding, but in all cases no later than May 15 of the year preceding the meeting. [Read more ...](#)

LSA Requests Basic Funding for Science Research

The LSA joined with 140 member organizations of the Coalition for National Science Funding in sending a [letter](#) to the U.S. Congress requesting priority support for the funding of basic scientific research, including linguistics. The letter specifically opposes any amendments to federal appropriations legislation that would single out the social, behavioral and economic sciences directorate of the NSF, which supports basic linguistics research. Similar amendments have been made to other science legislation currently pending in Congress.

LSA Award Nominations Forthcoming

Look for a Call for Nominations for [LSA Awards](#) in early June. Nominations will be solicited for awards with the exception of the Leonard Bloomfield Book Award (which is chosen by a separate committee), the Best Paper in *Language* award (for which all articles published in the journal in 2014 will be eligible) and the Student Abstract Award (for which all 2015 Annual Meeting abstracts authored solely by students will be eligible). Included in the Call for Nominations will be the new [Linguistics Journalism Award](#) approved earlier this month by the Executive Committee.

View the Slate of Candidates for Upcoming Elections

The Slate of Candidates for LSA Officers and at-large members of the Executive Committee for 2015 is available [here](#).

If by July 8, 2014-six months before the Annual Meeting-ten or more members have separately and in writing (to the attention of the Nominating Committee at the [LSA Secretariat](#)) nominated any additional individual member for any position, and that member agrees to be presented as a candidate for the position in question, then that name shall be added to the ballot submitted to the members. The final Slate of Candidates will be presented to the membership for online voting beginning in September 2014.

View Proposed Amendments to the LSA Constitution and Bylaws

The Executive Committee has proposed a number of [amendments to the LSA Constitution and Bylaws](#), with the aim of bringing these documents into line with current practice. LSA members will be asked to vote for or against these amendments in bulk during regular LSA elections in September-November 2014.

In addition, any LSA member may propose an amendment to the LSA Constitution by submitting a proposal in writing to the [LSA Secretariat](#) no later than July 1 of any year, along with favoring arguments and the signatures of at least twenty-five members of the Society. Amendments proposed in this way will be submitted to the full membership of the LSA for an electronic vote at the time of the regular election of officers, beginning in September of the same year.

-Other LSA Resources-

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](#).

The LSA's [Book Exchange](#) facilitates the transfer of no-longer-wanted publications from LSA

members to linguists, often in other parts of the world, who have need of them.

The [Linguistic Academic Depository](#) provides convenient access to curricular materials of all types shared by LSA members.

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

- [Other meetings and calls for papers](#);
- [Linguistics resources](#)
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