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LSA Update

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LSA Committee Spotlight: CEDL

Interested LSA members are encouraged to join the Committee on Ethnic Diversity in Linguistics (CEDL). For more information on this committee and its activities, see the [CEDL web page](#). To join the Committee, [contact its chair](#), Dr. Iman Nick (University of Cologne).

Giving Tuesday Donation

On this "Giving Tuesday" Consider a Donation to the LSA's Student Scholarship Funds

As more charities focus their fundraising efforts through online donations made on the Tuesday after Thanksgiving, the LSA invites you to make a generous

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contribution to support our programs and services for the linguistics community. This year, we are in the midst of two campaigns to raise charitable contributions for student scholarships to attend the biennial Linguistic Institute and CoLang, the Institute for Collaborative Language Research. Two new memorial funds have been established for this purpose, named after former LSA presidents Charles Fillmore and Emmon Bach. Please [make a donation online today](#) and help us reach our goal of fully funding these two student scholarships. Thank you.

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Please contact [David Robinson](#) for details and pricing.

Request for Proposals: 2019 Linguistic Institute

The LSA has issued an RFP to all linguistics departments and programs to host the 2019 Linguistic Institute (<http://www.linguisticsociety.org/content/future-linguistic-institutes>). This is a great opportunity to make a mark on the field of linguistics and highlight the important contributions being made by your department or program to the discipline as a whole. Preliminary expressions of interest are due by the end of 2015, with full proposals due at the end of February,

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2016. Inquiries may be directed to [Allyson Reed](#).

Bloomfield Book Award Winner Announced

The Linguistic Society of America is pleased to announce that *Old Chinese: A New Reconstruction*, by William H. Baxter and Laurent Sagart, is the recipient of this year's [Leonard Bloomfield Book Award](#).

The Leonard Bloomfield Book Award is presented to the book "that makes an outstanding contribution of enduring value to our understanding of language and linguistics." Nominees are judged on their novelty, empirical import, conceptual significance, and clarity. The Bloomfield Book Award, named in honor of renowned linguist (and LSA founding member) [Leonard Bloomfield](#), was first awarded in 1992; [previous recipients](#) have included *The Atlas of North American English* (by William Labov, Sharon Ash, and Charles Boberg) and *The Bilingual Child: Early Development and Language Contact* (by Virginia Yip and Stephen Matthews).

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Call for Satellite Workshop Proposals, 2017 Annual Meeting

The LSA will entertain proposals for satellite workshops to be held immediately before or after the LSA's 2017 Annual Meeting, which will be held in Austin, TX from January 5-8. 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. The 2012 Annual Meeting featured two Satellite Workshops, one on [Sociolinguistic Archival Preparation](#) and one on [Input and Syntactic Acquisition](#). The 2013 Meeting featured one on [Foundations of Historical Linguistics: Dynamics of Hunter-Gatherer Language Change](#). The 2016 Meeting will include one on [Preparing Your Corpus for Archival Storage](#).

Proposals are due no later than May 15, 2016 but will ideally be submitted early enough to receive any necessary financial support from a funding agency. [Read more ...](#)

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The LSA's Committee on Ethnic Diversity in Linguistics (CEDL) has selected four student recipients to receive Diversity Travel Awards to attend the upcoming LSA Annual Meeting in Washington, DC. The 2016 recipients are:

- Morgan Johnson, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis
- Andrea Kortenhoven, Stanford University
- Megan Lukaniec, University of California Santa Barbara
- Ayesha Malik, University of Texas at San Antonio

Read more about the awardees [here](#).

Linguistics In The News

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

- "[Which Curse Words are Popular in Your State?](#)" (*Huffington Post*)
- "[Why is English So Weirdly Different from Other Languages?](#)" (*Aeon*)
- "[De-stigmatizing Hawaii's Creole Language](#)" (*The Atlantic*)

Other LSA Resources

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

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](#).

Visit the LSA website for information on other LSA resources, including the:

- [Women in Linguistics Mentoring Alliance \(WILMA\)](#)
- [Linguistic Academic Depository](#)
- [LSA Jobs Center](#)

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