LSA Seeks Internship Applicants for Fall 2022

The LSA is seeking applications for the position of Student Intern as part of our Secretariat staff team for the Fall 2022 semester (September - December). 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.

This part-time position involves 18 hours of work per week, with a stipend of $3500 for the duration of the semester. Our preference is that the intern spend a portion of their work week in the LSA's office in Washington, DC. The remainder of the work may be performed virtually from a remote location of the intern's choosing. Currently, most LSA staff are working a hybrid of remotely and in-person on selected days.

Please submit a cover letter, resume, and contact information for three academic/professional references to: lsa@lsadc.org, subject line: “LSA Internship Application.” The deadline for full consideration is August 7, 2022.

➤ Read the full call online
Meet the Authors Webinar with Tory Sampson and Rachel I. Mayberry Available Online

Last Thursday, we held a “Meet the Authors” webinar entitled “An Emerging SELF: the copula cycle in American Sign Language.” Authors Tory Sampson and Rachel I. Mayberry challenged the common assumption that ASL has no overt copula. They presented evidence that one of the functions of the sign SELF in present-day ASL is as a copula. The sign evolved into its current function by way of a grammaticalization process called the “copula cycle” (Katz 1996).

➤ [Read the complete write-up]
➤ [View the webinar online]

Laurels for Linguists: Bleaman Receives NSF Career Award

Congratulations to LSA life member Isaac Bleaman (University of California, Berkeley), who has received a 5-year grant through the Faculty Early Career Development (CAREER) Program of the National Science Foundation (NSF). The grant will support his project entitled “Documenting and Analyzing
Sociolinguistic Variation in the Speech of Holocaust Survivors" and is being co-funded through the Linguistics and DLI-DEL programs.

➤ Read the complete write-up

Reminders: Award & Amendments

Linguistics Journalism Award Deadline Extended
The nomination period for the LSA Journalism Award has been extended. The revised deadline for nominations for the Journalism Award covering the period of June 1, 2021, through May 31, 2022, is now September 15, 2022. ➤ Submit a nomination

Comment Period on Proposed Amendments Still Open
Beginning September 1, 2022, you will be invited to vote on a series of proposed amendments to the LSA Bylaws and Constitution. Some of these amendments are sponsored by the LSA Executive Committee, while others are sponsored by a group of LSA members. Opposing arguments to either set of amendments may be submitted to the LSA Secretariat for publication on the LSA website no later than August 12th.

Departmental News

UMD, Howard, and Gallaudet found the Language Science Station at Planet Word

Led by Charlotte Vaughn of the University of Maryland, the Language Science Station at the Planet Word museum in Washington DC, is an interdisciplinary, multi-university team of linguists and other language scientists running research studies and doing educational engagement with visitors to Planet Word. The LSS has launched three studies so far, and will roll out more over the course of a 3-year NSF collaborative grant to the University of Maryland, Howard University, and Gallaudet University.

The LSS recently held a training course this summer, welcoming a cohort of diverse undergraduate and graduate students to the field. Fifteen students from 7 DC-area universities gained research and science communication skills in their interactions with Planet Word visitors. In our first three weeks out on the museum floor, LSS participants talked with over 1,280 visitors about linguistics!

You can learn more about the project, its approach, and its studies in a recent blog post or at its website.
Follow the LSS on Twitter and Instagram at @LangSciStation.

In Case You Missed It ...

Take Our Website Survey

We have officially launched our project to undertake a total overhaul of the LSA’s website, and have engaged the services of a new web developer to implement this project. We want input from all key stakeholders of the LSA. For this purpose, we have developed a brief survey seeking your feedback and input on priorities for the new website. At the end of the survey, there will be an opportunity for interested members to sign up for a more in-depth focus group on the questions raised by the survey. The survey closes after August 5, 2022.

➤ Take the survey and let us know your thoughts!

Linguistics in the Public Sphere

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


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:
  - Taking Linguistics to the Public: An Outreach Guide
  - Linguistic Academic Depository
  - LSA Jobs Center

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