Save the Date: SNL 2025 at Gallaudet University

Join us September 12–14, 2025, at **Gallaudet University** in Washington, DC — the world's only bilingual ASL-English university.

☐ **Registration** **is open** — register early and save! **Standard Registration Deadline, August 19th** .

☐ **Visit the SNL 2025 Website** for full details.

Membership Renewal

Don't forget to renew your membership for 2025! To renew **Log in to your SNL account** and click the 'Pay 2025 Membership' button.

Upcoming virtual activities include:

On the evolution of language - in collaboration with the NCCR Evolving Language
Wednesday, October 1, 2025, 12:00 - 1:00 pm EST America/New_York

Organized by: Valentina Borghesani

For more information visit: https://2025.neurolang.org/virtual-activities/

Neurobiology of Language is the open-access journal sponsored by the Society for the Neurobiology of Language and MIT Press. Launched in March 2019, the journal provides a new venue for articles across a range of disciplines addressing the neurobiological basis of speech and language. To learn more about Neurobiology of Language and how to submit articles, go to https://www.mitpressjournals.org/nol.

Job Postings and Announcements

If you have a job posting, general announcement, or conference that you would like to include in the SNL Newsletter, please send it to newsletter@neurolang.org.

Job Postings

Seeking Four Postdoctoral Fellows in Neuroscience of Language!

One fully funded slot currently available
+ Two more slots available after July 1, 2026
Georgetown University Neuroscience of Language Training Program Washington, DC, USA
neurolang.georgetown.edu
Submit your application HERE

The Georgetown University Neuroscience of Language Training Program is seeking outstanding postdoctoral fellows who wish to become the future leaders of our field. We aim to develop well- rounded scientists who have a broad perspective on basic and clinical neuroscience of language research, along with the skills and track-record to succeed in their chosen career path.

We offer a rich training environment in the nation's capital where fellows conduct innovative research under the guidance of 18 faculty members studying basic and clinical neuroscience of language, along with sensory, motor, and cognitive systems as they pertain to language and communication. Fellows can work with a single faculty member or across multiple labs, including partner labs at Children's National Hospital and the George Washington University.

Fellows can also participate in clinical experiences, community engagement activities, professional development training, journal clubs, and seminars to enrich their training.
Appointments are funded at NIH NRSA stipend rates for two years, assuming fellows remain in good standing after the first year. Fellows also receive additional funds for training-related expenses, such as workshops, courses, conference travel, computers, peripherals, etc.
Eligibility: U.S. citizens or permanent residents who currently hold a doctoral degree or will have met all doctoral program requirements before enrolling are eligible. Individuals with doctoral degrees from any relevant field (Neuroscience, Cognitive Science, Linguistics, Psychology, Communication Science and Disorders, etc.) are encouraged to apply.

Admissions are rolling so applicants should inquire early about positions. Individuals fromgroups recognized to be underrepresented in the sciences are encouraged to apply.

Contact peter.turkeltaub@georgetown.edu with any questions.

SMILES 2025 Workshop

We are pleased to announce the **SMILES 2025 Workshop** (Sensorimotor Interaction, Language and Embodiment of Symbols), which will take place on **Tuesday, September 16, 2025**, as part of the **ICDL 2025 Conference** in **Prague, Czech Republic**.

Workshop website:
https://sites.google.com/view/smiles-workshop/
ICDL 2025 conference site:
https://icdl2025.fel.cvut.cz/

☐ **Call for Abstracts**
We invite contributions exploring the connection between sensorimotor interaction, symbolic communication, and language emergence. Interdisciplinary approaches are welcome.
- **Deadline: August 31, 2025**
- **Length: ½ page to 2 pages**
- **Format: IEEE conference template**
- https://www.ieee.org/conferences/publishing/templates.html
- **Submission email:** smiles.conf@gmail.com
- Please indicate if you plan to present **onsite or remotely**.

☐ **Workshop Focus**
SMILES addresses the gap between **low-level sensorimotor interaction** and **high-level symbolic communication**, bringing together researchers working on:
- Sensorimotor learning and developmental robotics
- Emergent communication in multi-agent systems
- Gesture and sequence chunking (motor, vocal, multimodal)
- Symbol grounding and symbol emergence
- Compositional and hierarchical representations for action and language
- Language acquisition and processing in humans and machines
- Temporal dynamics in neural network models
- Enaction, perception-action loops, and active sensing
- Animal communication and comparative models

Organizers: Xavier Hinaut, Laura Cohen, Alex Pitti
Contact: smiles.conf@gmail.com
Invited speakers: To be announced soon
Workshop date: September 16, 2025, 2:00 PM – 6:00 PM
Location: Prague, Czech Republic

We look forward to your contributions!
Best regards,

The SMILES 2025 Organizing Committee

The Cellular and Molecular Neuroscience of Language Disorders: Exploring the Biological Foundations of Primary Progressive Aphasias

Guest Editors: Zachary Miller, Marilu Gorno-Tempini, Bruce Miller

We are excited to announce a call for papers for a special issue of Neurobiology of Language, dedicated to the cellular and molecular neuroscience of language disorders through exploring the biological foundations of primary progressive aphasias (PPA).

PPA stands out among neurodegenerative disorders due to its strong correlation between clinical manifestations, anatomical vulnerabilities, and underlying neuropathologies, spanning a range of diseases from Alzheimer's disease, FTLD-tauopathies, and FTLD-TDP- 43 proteinopathies.

This special issue aims to delve into a wide array of topics related to PPA, including:

Clinical Observations: Studies identifying clinical markers that support specific pathologies associated with PPA.

Behavioral Correlations: Studies focusing on how neuroanatomical disruptions relate to measures of speech and language, especially as they pertain to specific underlying neuropathologies.

Pathological Insights: Research on the differential vulnerability of language-network based brain regions to specific neurodegenerative diseases.

Molecular and Genetic Research: Investigations starting at the cellular, molecular, or genetic levels to uncover disruptions in pathways leading to neural network impairments.

By advancing our understanding of the mechanisms underlying PPA, we aim to contribute significantly to the broader field of neurodegenerative diseases and overall brain health.

How to submit

- Please submit your manuscripts online via the NoL Editorial Manager system.
- We welcome research articles, review articles, and short communications. Manuscripts should be original and not previously published or under consideration elsewhere (excluding conference proceedings papers and pre-prints).
- For authors' guidelines and submission details, please visit the NoL website (https://direct.mit.edu/nol/pages/submission-guidelines).
- Manuscripts can be submitted until the **deadline Dec 31st, 2025**.
- All submissions passing pre-check will undergo rigorous double-anonymized peer review.
- Accepted papers will be promptly published in the journal on a rolling basis.
- The journal is fully open-access, with article processing charges (APCs) of $1,200 USD for members of the Society for Neurobiology of Language (first and last authors), and $1,800 USD for non-members. Fee waivers are granted to authors from low-income countries and may be available by request for others with limited access to resources.

Registration for the 63rd Annual Meeting of Academy of Aphasia is now Open!

Full registration rate includes admission to all scientific sessions including keynote address, symposia, New Frontiers in Aphasia Research seminar, posters and welcome reception.

Click here to register.

Early Registration Rate ends on September 10th, 2025.
The 63rd Annual Meeting of the Academy of Aphasia will be hosted at the Horton Grand Hotel, in downtown San Diego. This year's keynote speaker will be Victor Ferreira Ph.D., Professor of Psychology at the University of California, San Diego. The conference reception and welcome party will be held Monday October 27th during a twilight cruise on San Diego Bay.

The detailed conference schedule is now posted on the interactive hybrid platform.

IMPORTANT NOTES

Conference registration is mandatory for presenters. Platform and in-person presenters must register for in-person attendance by September 30th 2025. On-line poster presenters can register in-person or on-line. Click here to register.

If you are traveling internationally, please verify if you require a visa for entry to the United States of America: https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/us-visas.htm

Questions?

If you have questions, please check the conference website, including the FAQ section, first. If you have technical questions after checking the website, please email the dedicated vFairs support team at academyofaphasia2025@getvfairs.io. If you have program questions after checking the website, or if you

have accessibility needs, please email the program committee at academyofaphasia.program@gmail.com

We are looking forward to seeing you in San Diego!
With best wishes,

The 2025 Academy of Aphasia Program Committee: Aneta Kielar (co-chair), Elena Barbieri (co-chair), Rajani Sebastian (co-vice chair), Silvia Martínez Ferreiro (co-vice chair), Dan Roberts, Arpita Bose, Effy Ntemou, Ran Li
Local Arrangements Committee: Stephanie Riès (Local Chair), Tracy Love, JoAnn Silkes, and Henrike Blumenfeld.

Connect with us to get the latest membership updates and announcements.

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