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# Newsletter

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## Get Ready for SNL 2026 in Beautiful Geneva, Switzerland

We're heading to Geneva, Switzerland for SNL 2026, taking place September 30 to October 2, 2026.

Known for its sparkling lake, mountain views, and walkable charm, Geneva is a beautiful and welcoming city and an inspiring backdrop for next year's meeting.

Stay tuned for program details coming soon... we look forward to welcoming you in Geneva!



## Upcoming Virtual Activities

Select an activity for more information or to join the activity.

[Tips and tricks for mentoring graduate students and postdocs with Liina and Stephen](#)

Tuesday, January 20, 2026, 8:00 - 9:00 am EST America/New\_York  
Organized by: Stephen Wilson

[Meet The Journal Editor - Q&A about the publishing process](#)

Friday, January 23, 2026, 9:00 - 10:00 am EST America/New\_York  
Organized by: Katrien Segaert

[History corner: Broca](#)

Thursday, January 29, 2026, 3:00 - 4:30 pm EST America/New\_York  
Organized by: Stephen Wilson



## Session Recordings from SNL 2025 are Now Available

Missed a talk or want to revisit your favorites? Session recordings are now available for all Keynote Lectures, Symposia, the Panel Session, Slide Sessions, and Award Sessions.

To watch, simply log in to your [SNL Account](#), visit the session page of your choice, and click "View Recording."

Please note: You must be a current SNL member (2025 or later) or an SNL 2025 attendee to access recordings.



## Renew Your Membership for 2026

Your 2025 membership expires at the end of this year. [Renew now](#) to maintain access to SNL Membership Benefits, including reduced registration rates, eligibility to submit and present your research, access to recorded talks, discounted article processing charges, travel award opportunities, voting privileges, and more. Discounted membership rates are available.



Neurobiology  
of Language

[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](mailto:newsletter@neurolang.org).



## Job Postings

### Postdoctoral Researchers Needed Bilingual Language & Brain Development

We are looking for two postdoctoral researchers with expertise in either computational language modeling or neuroimaging. Our research focuses on bilingual language, literacy, and brain development. For computational modeling, we seek candidates skilled at using large-language models to analyze data in English and other languages. For neuroimaging, we are looking for candidates with expertise in fNIRS or MEG/EEG. Experience in both computational modeling and neuroimaging is a plus. Our team, led by Drs. Ioulia Kovelman, Teresa Satterfield, and Jonathan Brennan, is currently based at the University of Michigan, USA. PI Kovelman will move to UT Dallas in summer 2026 to access larger bilingual populations and neuroimaging resources, including anatomically localized MEG imaging. We welcome applications from candidates with backgrounds in neurolinguistics, computational modeling, neuroscience, psychology, or related fields. This project offers a salary aligned with NIH standards. The start date and location are flexible. Please contact [kovelman@umich.edu](mailto:kovelman@umich.edu) with CV, sample publications, and a letter of interest that includes names and contact info for 2-3 references.



### MSc. Internship in AI LLM: "AI Agents to Accelerate Scientific Research" From February/March at Inria and the Bordeaux Neurocampus.

**Objective:** Open-source, efficient, secure, well-documented tools with monitoring and error management.

This internship aims to design intelligent automations using n8n/Zapier and LLMs (Large Language Models) running on our local server.

Using n8n/Zapier and local LLMs (Qwen3, Llama, Mistral, etc.) via OpenWebUI and LMStudio, the intern will develop workflows for:

- Extracting data from PDFs
- Generating literature reviews
- Automating scientific monitoring

- Producing tables/figures from data

Required profile: Python skills, creative mindset, passion for systems engineering and AI.

👉 Apply and find more details in the subject PDF available here:

[https://github.com/neuronalX/internships/blob/main/2025-2026\\_MSc\\_YBO-XH\\_EN\\_workflow-AI-agent-LLM\\_v3.pdf](https://github.com/neuronalX/internships/blob/main/2025-2026_MSc_YBO-XH_EN_workflow-AI-agent-LLM_v3.pdf)

Co-supervised by @Yannis Bendi-Ouis (PhD student) and @Xavier Hinaut (researcher) in the Mnemosyne team @Inria and @Bordeaux Neurocampus, within the framework of ANR DeepPool and Inria BrainGPT Exploratory Action projects.

#AI #Research #n8n #Zapier #LLMs #OpenSource #InriaInternship #DataScience



## Two Ph.D. Positions Available in Translational/Computational OPM-MEG Research

Two Ph.D. positions (3/4 years) are available in translational/computational OPM-MEG research starting in March/April 2026 in the Laboratory for “Biomarkers, Early Intervention and Digital Medicine”, Dept. of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, Charité - Universitätsmedizin Berlin!

We are looking for candidates with EEG/MEG experience and strong analytic skills. The first Ph.D. project (4 year position, €1 75%) will apply OPM-MEG as part of the Einstein Centre for Youth Mental Health (ECYM) in youths with emerging mental illnesses (psychoses, affective disorders, personality disorders) in order to identify disease mechanisms and biomarkers for early detection and diagnosis. The second Ph.D. project (3 year position, €1 75%) will focus on OPM-MEG together with computational modelling to advance the understanding of circuit deficits in schizophrenia. The projects will make use of a state-of-the-art 96 channel OPM-MEG system as part of the newly established PTB- Charite OPM-MEG Center.

More details can be found here:

<https://karriere.charite.de/en/job-vacancies/detail/5612>

<https://karriere.charite.de/stellenangebote/detail/6076>

**Application deadline: 23.12.2025**



## 2026 Call for Applications to PhD Program *International Doctorate for Experimental Approaches to Language And Brain (IDEALAB)*

The 2026 application round for the PhD Program *International Doctorate for Experimental Approaches to Language And Brain* (IDEALAB) is now open!

We are seeking highly motivated and outstanding candidates with a background in Speech and Language Pathology, Psycho- or Neurolinguistics, Clinical Linguistics, or other language-related fields. This year, we are advertising **8 projects** (see titles below).

IDEALAB provides a rigorous, laboratory-based 3-year doctoral training program focused on the structure, processing, and foundations of language, with an emphasis on interdisciplinary approaches. Candidates conduct original and independent research on experimental and clinical aspects of language and the brain. Throughout their candidature, candidates are supervised by faculty from at least two of the three participating universities and spend time at both institutions: Universities of Potsdam (GER), Groningen (NL), and Macquarie University (AUS). IDEALAB offers a joint curriculum and research training program, including summer and winter schools, and cumulates in a joint degree.

**Application deadline:** 26<sup>th</sup> of January 2026, 23:59pm AEDT

**Starting dates:** September 2026 – January 2027

Duration: 3 years

More information on the program and the application process: <https://phd-idealab.com/>

Advertised projects:

- Assessing individual differences in infants' speech perception with a toy
- Early cognitive markers of infant morphology
- App-based verbal treatment in aphasia
- Audio-visual integration in childhood apraxia of speech
- Neurocognitive investigation of reading aloud vs silently and their effects on memory retention
- Speech-music therapy and multilingualism
- The impact of accent familiarity on film subtitle processing
- Speech: a dynamical perspective



## **Postdoctoral Fellow in Computational Neurolinguistics**

### **Johns Hopkins University: Zanvyl Krieger School of Arts and Sciences: Cognitive Science Department**

**Location:** Baltimore, MD, 21218

**Open Date:** Dec 05, 2025

**Salary Range** or Pay Grade: \$62,232 a year

#### **Description**

The Hale research group in the Department of Cognitive Science at Johns Hopkins University seeks an outstanding postdoctoral fellow to begin July 1, 2026 for a one-year initial, contract-renewable appointment. The primary responsibility of the appointee will be to analyze naturalistic MEG data, with an aim of shedding light on the cross-linguistic Mechanisms underlying Human Sentence Processing.

#### **Qualifications**

##### Required Qualifications

- PhD in an area of cognitive science or a closely neighboring field such as cognitive neuroscience, linguistics, computer science, or engineering
- Experience in preprocessing and analyzing SQUID MEG using standard libraries such as MNE-Python or FieldTrip
- Familiarity with magnetoencephalographic source localization techniques
- Ability to apply temporal response function- (TRF-) style analyses to naturalistic MEG data, as in Brodbeck et al. ([2018](#); [2020](#); [2022](#); cf. Lalor et al., [2006](#); [2009](#))
- Strong programming skills and the ability to write clean, shareable, methodologically-communicable, and well-documented research code
- Fundamental knowledge of machine learning, inferential statistics, and linguistics
- Ability to work as part of larger research group and coordinate with other team members

##### Preferred Qualifications

- Academic domain expertise in (computational) psycho- and neurolinguistics
- Conceptual understanding of modern neural language models (Transformers, RNNs) and the ability to interact with them via e.g., the Hugging Face and PyTorch libraries
- An interest in oscillatory and/or connectivity dynamics during naturalistic language comprehension, as in Meyer ([2017](#)) and e.g., Chalas et al. ([2024](#)), Meyer et al. ([2015](#))
- An interest in probing interpretable, theory-grounded cognitive processes involved in language comprehension, such as memory retrieval and disambiguation

#### **Application Instructions**

Applicants should submit a CV, research statement, and the contact information of three recommenders to the application in Interfolio.

#### **Application Process**

This institution is using Interfolio's Faculty Search to conduct this search. Applicants to this position receive a free Dossier account and can send all application materials, including confidential letters of recommendation, free of charge.

[Apply Now](#)

#### **Equal Employment Opportunity Statement**

Salary Range

The referenced salary range represents the minimum and maximum salaries for this position and is based on Johns Hopkins University's good faith belief at the time of posting. Not all candidates will be eligible for the upper end of the salary range. The actual compensation offered to the selected candidate may vary and will ultimately depend on multiple factors, which may include the successful candidate's geographic location, skills, work experience, internal equity, market conditions, education/training and other factors, as reasonably determined by the University.

### **Total Rewards**

Johns Hopkins offers a total rewards package that supports our employees' health, life, career and retirement. More information can be found here: <https://hr.jhu.edu/benefits-worklife/>.

### **Equal Opportunity Employer**

The Johns Hopkins University is committed to equal opportunity for its faculty, staff, and students. To that end, the university does not discriminate on the basis of sex, gender, marital status, pregnancy, race, color, ethnicity, national origin, age, disability, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, veteran status or other legally protected characteristic. The university is committed to providing qualified individuals access to all academic and employment programs, benefits and activities on the basis of demonstrated ability, performance and merit without regard to personal factors that are irrelevant to the program involved.

### **Pre-Employment Information**

If you are interested in applying for employment with The Johns Hopkins University and require special assistance or accommodation during any part of the pre-employment process, please contact the HR Business Services Office at [jhurecruitment@jhu.edu](mailto:jhurecruitment@jhu.edu). For TTY users, call via Maryland Relay or dial 711. For more information about workplace accommodations or accessibility at Johns Hopkins University, please visit [accessibility.jhu.edu](https://accessibility.jhu.edu).

### **Background Checks**

The successful candidate(s) for this position will be subject to a pre-employment background check including education verification.

### **EEO is the Law:**

[https://www.eeoc.gov/sites/default/files/2023-06/22\\_088\\_EEOC\\_KnowYourRights6.12ScreenRdr.pdf](https://www.eeoc.gov/sites/default/files/2023-06/22_088_EEOC_KnowYourRights6.12ScreenRdr.pdf)

### **Diversity and Inclusion**

The Johns Hopkins University values diversity, equity and inclusion.

### **Vaccine Requirements**

Johns Hopkins University strongly encourages, but no longer requires, at least one dose of the COVID-19 vaccine. The COVID-19 vaccine does not apply to positions located in the State of Florida. We still require all faculty, staff, and students to receive the [seasonal flu vaccine](#). Exceptions to the COVID and flu vaccine requirements may be provided to individuals for religious beliefs or medical reasons. Requests for an exception must be submitted to the JHU vaccination registry. This change does not apply to the School of Medicine (SOM). SOM hires must be fully vaccinated with an FDA COVID-19 vaccination and provide proof of vaccination status. For additional information, applicants for SOM positions should visit <https://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/coronavirus/covid-19-vaccine/> and all other JHU applicants should visit <https://covidinfo.jhu.edu/health-safety/covid-vaccination-information/>.

The following additional vaccine requirements may apply, depending upon your campus. Please contact the hiring department for more information.

The pre-employment physical for positions in clinical areas, laboratories, working with research subjects, or involving community contact requires documentation of immune status against Rubella (German measles), Rubeola (Measles), Mumps, Varicella (chickenpox), Hepatitis B and documentation of having received the Tdap (Tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis) vaccination. This may include documentation of having two (2) MMR vaccines; two (2) Varicella vaccines; or antibody status to these diseases from laboratory testing. Blood tests for immunities to these diseases are ordinarily included in the pre-employment physical exam except for those employees who provide results of blood tests or immunization documentation from their own health care providers. Any vaccinations required for these diseases will be given at no cost in our Occupational Health office.



## **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](http://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 from [groups recognized to be underrepresented in the sciences](#) are encouraged to apply.

Contact [peter.turkeltaub@georgetown.edu](mailto:peter.turkeltaub@georgetown.edu) with any questions.



## **Funded PhD Position - SIGNAL PROCESSING IN NEUROIMAGING GROUP at the BCBL- Basque Center on Cognition Brain and Language (San Sebastián, Basque Country, Spain)[www.bcbl.eu](http://www.bcbl.eu)**

### **INFORMATION ABOUT THE POSITION**

- **Position:** PhD student
- **Researcher Profile:** First Stage Researcher (R1- up to the point of PhD)
- **Number of vacancies:** 1
- **Location:** Spain > Donostia-San Sebastián
- **Founding source:** Agencia Estatal de Investigación, Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades
- **Research Field:** Neuroimaging, Signal Processing, Neuroscience
- **Type of contract/Duration of Contract:** Temporary, 3 years (extensible to a maximum of 4 years depending on performance and funding availability).
- **Job Status:** Full-time
- **Hours per week:** 35
- **Starting date:** As soon as possible. The candidate must start the contract before 1<sup>st</sup> March.
- **Application deadline:** 6 January 2026

The Signal Processing in Neuroimaging research group (<https://www.bcbl.eu/en/research/research-groups/signal-processing-neuroimaging>) at the Basque Centre on Cognition, Brain, and Language (San Sebastián-Donostia, Spain) invites applications for a fully funded three-year PhD position. The position is supported by the Agencia Estatal de Investigación, Ministerio de Ciencia, Innovación y Universidades. We are seeking a highly motivated and talented early-career researcher with a strong interest in working at the intersection of neuroimaging, signal processing and cognitive neuroscience. The PhD candidate will actively contribute to ongoing research activities of the SPIN group and will develop an original doctoral research project under the supervision of Dr. César Caballero Gaudes, leading to the completion of a PhD degree at the University of the Basque Country.

### **Project summary:**

The Signal Processing in Neuroimaging research group develops advanced neuroimaging and signal processing methods to deepen our understanding of human brain function and physiology. Our work spans

cutting-edge acquisition, preprocessing and analysis techniques in magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI) and high-density functional near-infrared spectroscopy (fNIRS) (diffuse optical tomography, DOT). The selected PhD candidate will have the opportunity to design and develop an original doctoral project with one, or a combination, of the following research lines of the group:

1. Investigate how macrovascular and microvascular factors shape brain function, perfusion and neurovascular coupling through multimodal MRI (BOLD functional MRI, perfusion MRI - arterial spin labelling, 4D-Flow MRI).
2. Novel methods for cerebrovascular reactivity mapping and calibrated fMRI.
3. Novel methods for high-resolution functional, structural and vascular MRI at 3T.
4. Advanced MRI methods for studying the glymphatic system and neurofluid circulation.
5. Data analysis algorithms for naturalistic neuroscience with fMRI and fNIRS/DOT.
6. Precision neuroimaging in densely sampled individuals with fMRI and fNIRS/DOT.

### **Job description**

The PhD candidate will play an active role in the scientific life of the SPIN-lab and will be expected to:

- Perform a thorough review of the relevant scientific literature and identify open research questions within their chosen research line(s).
- Design and implement novel MRI and/or fNIRS/DOT experimental protocols, including MR pulse sequence optimization and/or data acquisition strategies.
- Conduct MRI and/or high-density fNIRS measurements in healthy participants, following best practices in research ethics and data quality assurance.
- Ensure proper data organization, version control, and documentation following best practices of open science and reproducibility standards.
- Develop, validate, and maintain state-of-the-art preprocessing and analysis pipelines.
- Write manuscripts for publication in leading international journals, in collaboration with the PI and the research team.
- Present scientific results at international conferences, workshops, and meetings.
- Engage in weekly lab meetings, seminars, and collaborative activities at the SPIN-lab and at the BCBL, contributing to a stimulating and productive research environment.
- Participate in training and professional development activities (e.g., workshops, summer schools, specialized courses) organized by BCBL and externally.

### **PI and research group:**

Our group broadly focuses on investigating advanced methods for the acquisition and analysis of neuroimaging and biomedical data in order to advance our understanding of human brain function, structure and physiology.

With a focus on cognitive and clinical neuroscience, our current projects mainly concern the development of signal processing algorithms for functional magnetic resonance imaging and functional near-infrared spectroscopy, including signal denoising and deconvolution, physiological and neurovascular processes, functional connectivity analyses, decoding and encoding brain activity, and multimodal imaging. We aim to apply these methods to examine the functional organization of large-scale brain networks and how they shape cognition in single individuals and across subjects in healthy and diseased conditions across their lifespan.

### **CANDIDATE PROFILE AND SELECTION CRITERIA**

#### **Required skills:**

- Master's (or equivalent) degree in Engineering (Biomedical, Electrical, Telecommunications), Computer Science, Artificial Intelligence, Mathematics, Physics, Neuroscience, Psychology, Medicine, or a closely related field.
- Previous experience with MRI and/or high-density fNIRS/DOT techniques.
- Strong understanding of signal processing and data analysis, including statistics and machine learning techniques.
- Proficiency in scientific programming, especially Python and/or Matlab, and experience in shell scripting.
- Excellent written and oral communication skills in English.
- To be eligible for a PhD program at UPV/EHU university, candidates must have completed a minimum of 300 ECTS credits across their bachelor's and master's studies (240 ECTS from the bachelor's degree and 60 ECTS from the master's)

#### **Desirable skills:**

- Prior experience participating in research projects, including data collection, preprocessing and analysis.
- Experience in MRI sequence programming, preferably using the Siemens IDEA platform, is a plus, particularly for projects involving sequence development.

- Experience applying deep learning techniques to neuroimaging or biomedical data is a plus.
- Familiarity with high-performance computing clusters (e.g. using SLURM) is a plus.

#### 1. WORKING CONDITIONS

**Salary:** 24.468€ gross annual salary.

- Opportunity to undertake a 3-month international research stay at a leading research institution during the PhD.
- Access to advanced neuroimaging facilities at the BCBL, including a fully available Siemens 3T PrismaFit MRI scanner and Gowerlabs LUMO system for high density fNIRS/DOT.
- Networking opportunities through active collaborations with world-leading researchers in neuroimaging and cognitive neuroscience.
- Support to attend and present research findings at leading national and international conferences, and applications for additional visiting fellowship.
- Access to professional development workshops, courses, and training programs at the BCBL.

**Entitlements and other benefits:** <https://www.bcbl.eu/en/join-us/what-is-like-to-work-bcbl>

#### **Training opportunities and Career development plan:**

Researchers at any stage of their career, regardless of their contractual situation, are given an opportunity for professional development and for improving their employability through access to a Personal Career Development Plan which includes

- (1) Training through individually personalized research projects under senior supervision
- (2) Exchanging knowledge with the scientific community and the general public
- (3) Network-wide training in theory and methods
- (4) Complementary training courses
- (5) Involvement in proposal writing, task coordination
- (6) Development of skills for the organization of training and scientific events

Postdoctoral researchers at the BCBL can acquire mentoring skills by co-supervising Master's and PhD students. Additionally, there is the opportunity to gain teaching experience on the BCBL's Master's program in the cognitive neuroscience of language.

BCBL seeks to foster an environment where all talents can flourish, regardless of gender, sex, sexual orientation, age, sociocultural background, nationality or impairments. We are proud to have in place both an LGBTQ+ Plan and a Gender Equality Plan to actively promote inclusion and equal opportunities. If you have any questions relating to accessibility or support, please contact us.

#### **OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION**

##### **Language policy**

- The corporate language at the BCBL is English.
- Knowledge of Spanish and/or Basque is not required, but advantageous in the daily life. The BCBL provides initial-level Spanish and Basque lessons to all the international staff members
- The interview will be conducted entirely in English.

#### **APPLICATION PROCESS**

##### **Submission of the application and documentation:**

To submit your application, please follow this [link](#): applying for "FUNDED PHD POSITION – SIGNAL PROCESSING IN NEUROIMAGING GROUP" and attach the following documentation:

- A curriculum vitae
- A statement outlining research interests and motivation to apply for the position
- Transcript of records for the master and bachelor degrees
- Two letters of recommendation (submitted by the referees no later than the application deadline)

Learn more about the BCBL's [OTM-R policy](#)

##### **Timeline:**

1. Deadline for application: 6 January 2026
2. Evaluation by committee: 7-12 January 2026
3. Interviews: 14-15 January 2026
4. Final decision: 16 January 2026
5. Work contract start date: Before 1<sup>st</sup> March 2026 (flexibility for relocation to San Sebastián can be discussed).

#### Contact details for enquiries:

For technical problems with the calls platform please contact: [hr@bcbl.eu](mailto:hr@bcbl.eu)

For inquiries or questions related to the content of the position and/or information about the project and the research group please contact: [c.caballero@bcbl.eu](mailto:c.caballero@bcbl.eu)



## Tenured/Tenure-Track Position in High-Level Vision at Johns Hopkins University

The Department of Cognitive Science at Johns Hopkins University seeks candidates for a tenured/tenure-track faculty position in the areas of high-level vision, written language, and/or conceptual representation. The Department seeks candidates who conduct experimental research, especially those whose work incorporates developmental, cognitive neuropsychological and/or cognitive neuroscientific approaches. Candidates should demonstrate a strong commitment to collaboration. The JHU Cognitive Science department is a highly interdisciplinary department that has extensive interactions with related departments, including Computer Science, Psychological and Brain Sciences, Philosophy, Neuroscience, and Neurology.

Learn more and apply here: <https://apply.interfolio.com/178825>. Priority consideration will be given to applications received by **January 15th**.



## Tenured/Tenure-Track Position in Language at Johns Hopkins University

The Department of Cognitive Science at Johns Hopkins University seeks candidates for a tenured / tenure-track faculty position in language using approaches such as theoretical linguistics, language development/acquisition, fieldwork, psycholinguistics, and neurobiology of language. The department seeks candidates with cutting-edge research programs in any area of linguistic investigation (including morphology, phonetics, phonology, pragmatics, prosody, semantics, sign/speech perception, syntax, or typology). Candidates should demonstrate a strong commitment to teaching and mentoring, to collaboration with members of the department and related departments or centers (Computer Science, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Philosophy, and Psychological & Brain Sciences), and to engagement with university-wide initiatives in AI and Neuroscience.

Learn more and apply here: <https://apply.interfolio.com/178813>. Priority consideration will be given to applications received by **January 15th**.



## PhD position in Cross-Linguistic Sentence Planning

The ISLE Institute invites applications for a PhD position in a project that probes the neural correlates for sentence planning. The project is embedded in the NCCR Evolving Language ([www.evolvinglanguage.ch](http://www.evolvinglanguage.ch)), a Swiss consortium with the ambitious goal of creating a new discipline, Evolutionary Language Science, that targets the past and future of language and draws on expertise from the social, natural, and computational sciences.

### Your responsibilities

You will design and conduct neurolinguistic experiments that improve our understanding of sentence planning processes as conditioned by maximally diverse languages. Based on these you are expected to complete within 4 years 3 PhD dissertation papers together with your supervisors and potentially other contributors from the lab, the institute, or the NCCR consortium (as the need and/or interest arises). You will determine the choice of languages with your supervisor based on the specific research question but we generally prefer areas where we already have active research collaborations in psycho-/neurolinguistics (Nepal, Vietnam, Peru, and the Philippines).

### Your profile

You have a background in linguistics, psycholinguistics or cognitive neuroscience, with a Master's degree on a related topic and have good skills in data science (e.g. scripting in R or Python) and statistics. Additional assets are experience with EEG (or eye-tracking), and/or experience with fieldwork on underprivileged

languages. Candidates which lack one or both of these experiences are expected to have strong motivation to learn at the beginning of the PhD project.

We greatly value team science, and you are expected to have excellent communication and collaboration skills.

#### What we offer

You will be integrated into the Distributional Linguistics Lab at the ISLE Institute ([www.isle.uzh.ch/en/DLL.html](http://www.isle.uzh.ch/en/DLL.html)) and will work closely together with similarly-interested researchers in the NCCR. Your dissertation work will be supervised by Professor Balthasar Bickel and Dr. Laura Giglio.

#### Start of employment

1 March 2026 or later

#### Further information

Review of applications will begin in February 2026 and continue until the position is filled.

For further information on how to apply please see <https://www.isle.uzh.ch/en/jobs/phd-cross-linguistic-sentence-planning.html>



## Other

### THE 10<sup>TH</sup> LEARNING AND PLASTICITY MEETING Äkäslompola, Finland March 29 – April 1, 2026

- A cross-disciplinary meeting that connects psychological and neuroscience research on the mechanisms of learning and brain plasticity
- The special theme of the LaP 2026 meeting is “**Cognitive and neural changes across the lifespan: from development to interventions**”. However, most of the program will consist of free papers reflecting the broad spectrum of learning and plasticity research
- The LaP 2026 keynote speakers are:  
[Silvia Bunge](#), University of California at Berkeley: “Reasoning Development: Neurocognitive Underpinnings and Educational Relevance”  
[Richard Bethlehem](#), University of Cambridge: “Braincharts for the human lifespan: from populations to individuals and clinical implications”
- Eight confirmed symposia: see webpage: <https://lapmeeting.fi/programme/>
- **Abstract submission deadline December 5, 2025**
- Informal atmosphere and small size (maximum 80 participants) help to connect participants and promote discussion
- Excellent possibilities for winter sports and other outdoor activities

For further information, see the congress website at <https://lapmeeting.fi/>



### Cognitive Neuroscience Society (CNS) 2026 Annual Meeting Now Accepting Late-Breaking Poster Submissions!

Late-Breaking Poster Submissions allows for the presentations of posters at the annual CNS meeting whose data was collected or analyzed after the official abstract deadline. A late-breaking poster should contain new information. It should be composed of results that were not yet known, or fully available, on the previous poster submission deadline, **January 20, 2026** (midnight, last time zone on earth) which is approximately 5am January 21st, PST.

#### How to Submit

1. [Log In to Your CNS Account](#) or [Create a CNS Account](#).
2. Click 'Submit a Poster' and complete the submission steps.
3. Check the "Sketchpad Series" checkbox if you want to be considered for the Sketchpad Series.

For more information visit: <https://www.cogneurosociety.org/submit-a-poster/>



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