SLA Panels at the 2026 AAA Annual Meeting

Note: underlined events in the schedule are ones of special interest to SLA members, i.e.:

1. Business Meeting, Awards, and Reception
   - Thursday, November 19, 8:00 PM-10:30 PM, CC, Room 220
2. Sponsored Panel: The aesthetics of form beyond language
   - Friday, November 20, 10:15 AM - 11:45 AM, CC, Room 231
3. Society for Linguistic Anthropology (SLA) Mentoring Luncheon
   - (Friday, November 20, 11:45 AM - 12:45 PM CC, Room 220
   - *Contacts*: Dominika Baran and Jane Meador
4. Sponsored Panel: On the verge of belonging: Language, precarity, and institutional thresholds
   - Friday, November 20, 12:45 PM - 2:15 PM, CC, Room 267
5. SLA Gumperz Graduate Student Essay Prize
   - Friday, November 20, 12:45 PM - 2:15PM, CC, Room 280
6. Sponsored Panel: Metaculture: Revisiting Greg Urban's Theories of Cultural Motion
   - Saturday, November 21, 4:15-5:45, CC, Room 263

Thursday, November 19, 2026

8:30 AM - 10:00 AM Central Time (US & Canada

- Collaboration as transformative praxis in research (CC, Room 223)
- Type Casting: The Strategic Process of Constructing the “Typical” (CC, Room 221)

10:15 AM - 11:45 AM

- Fandoms in Flux: Ethnographic and Linguistic Anthropological Examinations of Fan Communities in Times of Change (CC, Room 221)
- Language as Safety: Care, Refusal, and Collective Survival across Migrant and Indigenous Worlds (CC, Room 223)

12:45 PM - 2:15 PM

- Ethnography of Gatherings (CC, Room 121)
- Fragments and Feeds: Mediatized Language Socialization (CC, Room 125)

2:30 PM - 4:00 PM

- Borders, Territories, Neighborhoods, Third Spaces (Marriot, Landmark Room 3)
- Linguistic Futurity: Living Language Beyond Precarity (CC, Room 263)
- Rethinking ethnographic practices, researcher positionalities, and community engagement in a rapidly changing world (CC, Room 241)

4:15 PM - 5:45 PM

- Collaboration as Transformative Praxis in Teaching (CC, Room 264)
- Tipping Points: Language and Environment in a Time of Crisis (CC, Room 260)
- Tourism, Heritage, Religion and Belonging in Time of Change (Marriot, Landmark Room 5)

8:00 PM - 10:30 PM

• Society for Linguistic Anthropology (SLA) Business Meeting and Reception (CC, Room 220)

Friday, November 20, 2026

7:30 AM - 8:30 AM

• Society for Linguistic Anthropology (SLA) Extended Board Breakfast (CC, Room 200)

8:30 AM - 10:00 AM

- Futures at the Intersection of Linguistic and Medical Anthropology: A Dialogue on the Potential of Language and Health in Action (CC, Room 228)
- Negotiating Worlds on the Verge - Multimodality, Language Ideological Assemblages and the Reconfiguration of Social Life (CC, Room 264)
- SLA IVP Session 3 (Marriot, Pershing)

10:15 AM - 11:45 AM

- Key Issues and Emerging Concerns in the Study of Language Socialization (CC, Room 264)
- SLA IVP Session 4 (Marriot, Pershing)
- The aesthetics of form beyond language (CC, Room 231)
- Thinking Beyond Linguistic Boundaries and National Borders: On the Verge of Named Languages in Puerto Rico (CC, Room 267)

11:45 AM - 12:45 PM

- Society for Linguistic Anthropology (SLA) Mentoring Luncheon (CC, Room 220)
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12:45 PM - 2:15 PM

- On the verge of belonging: Language, precarity, and institutional thresholds (CC, Room 267)
- Plurals, Pluralism, and Plural-making (Part I) (CC, Room 223)
- SLA Gumperz Graduate Student Essay Prize (CC, Room 280)

2:30 PM - 4:00 PM

- Language, Place, and Memory: Remembering the Work of Dr. Shannon M. Ward (CC, Room 230)
- Mayan languages and institutions (CC, Room 267))

Saturday, November 21, 2026

8:30 AM - 10:00 AM

• Morning Coffee Poster Session (Hall 1 - Exhibit Hall/Posters)

10:15 AM - 11:45 AM

- After the Verge: On Books that Changed Our Minds in Linguistic Anthropology (CC, Room 275)
- Plurals, Pluralism, and Plural-making (Part II) (CC, Room 280)
- Trans Life on the Verge: Linguistic Encounters, Mediated Suppression, and Counter-Narratives (CC, Room 231)

2:30 PM - 4:00 PM

- Concealment and Control in Social Interaction: Part I (CC, Room 230)
- Language, Voice, and Embodiment in Indigenous Resurgence (CC, Room 275)
- Metaphysical Community: Revisiting Greg Urban's Discourse-Centered Approach to Culture (CC, Room 263)

4:15 PM - 5:45 PM

- Can We Agree on Value Without Seeing Eye to Eye? (CC, Room 265)
- Concealment and Control in Social Interaction: Part II (CC, Room 230)
- Metaculture: Revisiting Greg Urban's Theories of Cultural Motion (CC, Room 263)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2026

8:30 AM - 10:00 AM

- (Inter)Disciplining Linguistic Anthropology: Possibilities and Necessities (CC, Room 223)
- AI, Algorithms, and Producers of Knowledge (Marriott, Parkview)
- Media, Embodiment, Identity, and Digital Worlds (Marriott, Aubert)
- SLA IVP Session 2 (Marriot, Landmark Room 2)
- SLA IVP Session 5 (Marriot, Landmark Room 4)
- Sociopolitical Approaches to Language Socialization-1 (CC, Room 221)

10:15 AM - 11:45 AM

- Exploring "Proactivism," Language Ideologies, and Social Change (CC, Room 228)
- Indigenous Worlds in Motion: Language, Territory, Spirituality, and Care (Marriott Parkview)
- SLA IVP Session 1 (Marriot, Landmark Room 1)
- SLA IVP Session 6 (Marriot, Landmark Room 4)
- Sociopolitical Approaches to Language Socialization-2 (CC, Room 221)