

## CALL FOR PAPERS

21st Annual Workshop on American Indigenous Languages (WAIL 2018)

Santa Barbara, CA

April 20th-21st, 2018

### Meeting Description

The Linguistics department at the University of California, Santa Barbara announces its 21st Annual Workshop on American Indigenous Languages (WAIL), which provides a forum for the discussion of theoretical, descriptive, and practical studies of the indigenous languages of the Americas.

### Keynote Speaker

#### **Anthony K. Webster (University of Texas at Austin)**

*Anthony K. Webster is a linguistic anthropologist and author of the books *Explorations in Navajo Poetry and Poetics* (UNM, 2009) and *Intimate Grammars: An Ethnography of Navajo Poetry* (Arizona, 2015). His research focuses on the interplay between language, culture, the individual and the imagination. He has published articles on Navajo ethnopoetics and Navajo language and culture in, among others, the *Journal of Linguistic Anthropology*; *International Journal of American Linguistics*; *Anthropological Linguistics*; *Journal de la Société des Américanistes*; *Anthropology and Humanism*; the *Journal of Anthropological Research*; and the *Journal of American Folklore*. His third book, *The Sounds of Navajo Poetry: A Humanities of Speaking*, is due out in 2018.*

### Call for Papers

Anonymous abstracts are invited for talks on any topic relevant to the study of indigenous languages of the Americas. Talks will be 20 minutes, followed by 10 minutes for discussion. Abstracts should be 500 words or less (excluding examples and/or references).

Individuals may submit abstracts for one single-authored and one co-authored paper. Please indicate your source(s) and type(s) of data in the abstract (e.g. recordings, texts, conversational, elicited, narrative, etc.). For co-authored papers, please indicate who plans to present the paper as well as who will be in attendance.

Abstracts should be submitted in .pdf format through the EasyAbs system at [www.linguistlist.org/easyabs/WAIL21](http://www.linguistlist.org/easyabs/WAIL21)

Hard copy submissions will be accepted from those who do not have Internet access. Please send four copies of your abstract, along with a 3x5 card with the following information: (1) your name; (2) affiliation; (3) mailing address; (4) phone number; (5) email address; and (6) title of your paper.

Send hard copy submissions to:  
Workshop on American Indigenous Languages  
Attn: Adrienne Tsikewa or Jesus Olguin Martinez  
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**Deadline for receipt of abstracts: February 23, 2018**

Notification of acceptance will arrive by email no later than March 9, 2018.

General Information

Santa Barbara is situated on the Pacific Ocean near the Santa Ynez Mountains. The UCSB campus is located near the Santa Barbara airport. Participants may also fly into LAX airport in Los Angeles, which is approximately 90 miles southeast of the campus. Shuttle buses run between LAX and Santa Barbara.

For further information, please contact the conference coordinators, Adrienne Tsikewa or Jesus Olguin Martinez, at [wail.ucsb@gmail.com](mailto:wail.ucsb@gmail.com) or check out our website, <http://osl.sa.ucsb.edu/org/nail/WAIL>.