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After a nine year hiatus, we are proud to share this issue of the newly relaunched and renamed *Working Papers in Language and Linguistics* (WPILL). Originally a linguistics-only journal, WPILL has expanded to include (non-literary) papers from all students in the English department. The expansion of the journal's aims and scope have at once brought together the Linguistics and Writing & Rhetoric programs at GMU into a newfound partnership, as well as provided an important forum for the work of students throughout the English department. We want to thank all of the faculty who sponsored and supported our work, especially Steven Weinberger, Doug Wulf, Michelle Lafrance, and Michael Malouf, as well as the many students who volunteered as peer reviewers for this volume.

We continue to feel that this journal is an important part of what the Mason English department has to offer its students, and our hope is that it becomes a venue for students to offer value back to the department and their respective fields more broadly. In an academic climate that increasingly demands that graduate students publish in order to achieve their scholarly and career goals, WPILL offers the chance for aspiring scholars to find out what it's like to submit for publication. It is our most sincere hope that *Working Papers in Language and Linguistics* continues to serve the department and its students for many years to come.

Regards,

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