

# **LIN 405 - Writing in Linguistics**

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# Resources

# Overview

- There are many valuable resources available to you while doing research
- Today we will go over some that you might not be aware of

# Google Scholar

- <https://scholar.google.com>
- Provides link to pdf if available
- Formats citations in common styles (also gives BibTeX form)
- You can see who has cited a given paper/book/etc...
- Often an other will have their own page where you can see all their publications

# Linguistics Journals

- It's good to be aware of the major journals in your (sub)field
- Macauley (2011) recommends skimming through old editions to look for paper topics
- Some journals cover broad topics while others are more narrow
- For example *Language* is the flagship journal of the Linguistics Society of America and covers a broad range of topics
- The *Journal of Phonetics* on the other hand is somewhat narrow and only publishes about linguistic phonetics
- Some journals like *Linguistic Inquiry* do cover a broad range of topics, but with a skew towards one subfield (Syntax in this case)

# Linguistics Journals

- Some journals I try to keep up with:
  - Phonology
  - Journal of Phonetics
  - Laboratory Phonology
  - Behavioral and Brain Sciences
  - Psychonomic Bulletin and Review
- General linguistics journals I look at somewhat regularly:
  - Language
  - Glossa
  - Linguistic Inquiry

# **Linguistics and Language Behavior Abstracts**

- "Linguistics & Language Behavior Abstracts (LLBA) abstracts and indexes the international literature in linguistics and related disciplines in the language sciences. The database provides abstracts of journal articles and citations to book reviews drawn from over 600 serials publications, and also provides abstracts of books, book chapters, and dissertations."

# Linguistics and Language Behavior Abstracts

- Includes abstracts from a broad range of fields
  - E.g. - Orthography and Poetics
- Detailed search available
- Can limit to only peer reviewed sources
- Able to e-mail yourself (and/or others) source information
- Built-in citation formatting (including BibTeX)

# Oxford Bibliographies in Linguistics

- "Oxford Bibliographies in Linguistics is an entirely new and unique type of reference tool that has been specially created to meet a great need among today's students and scholars. It offers more than other bibliography initiatives on- and offline by providing expert commentary to help students and scholars find, negotiate, and assess the large amount of information readily available to them. It facilitates research in a way that other guides cannot by providing direct links to online library catalogs and other online resources. Organizing the resource around discrete subject entries will allow for quick and easy navigation that users expect when working on screen."

# Oxford Bibliographies in Linguistics

- Extremely detailed bibliographies on specific topics
- A great way to learn about the foundational research in any given area
- All entries are annotated providing context and background that might be missing from a generic reading list

# Interlibrary Loan

- The mission of the Interlibrary Loan/Document Delivery Department is to support the research and teaching needs of the Stony Brook University academic community by expanding the range of materials available for scholarship beyond the physical and electronic collections of the Stony Brook University Libraries.

# Interlibrary Loan

- Hard to find journal articles, book chapters, or dissertations delivered in pdf form
- Books not available at the Stony Brook library can be transferred from other universities
- Undergraduate students are limited to 20 active requests

# LingBuzz

- LingBuzz is a free archive of linguistics articles
- Uploaded directly by author
- Divided into five subareas: phonology, syntax, semantics, morphology, diachrony
- Easiest way to stay up to date on what is going on in the field

# The LINGUIST List

- "The LINGUIST List is operated at Indiana University, Department of Linguistics. The aim of the list is to provide a forum where academic linguists can discuss linguistic issues and exchange linguistic information. With the aid of contributions from subscribers, Indiana University, and the publishing community, LINGUIST List offers support to graduate students in linguistics and summer interns, who serve in return as editors of the list and help with the development and maintenance of the list server and website.

# The LINGUIST List

- Mailing list that contains information on conferences, journals, job postings, and much more
- More features such as "ask a linguist"
  - Doesn't seem to get much use ^\\_(ツ)\_/^-
- You can also access info from the mailing list on their website
  - E.g. - conference calls and job postings are listed