Please read the following eligibility requirements and application procedures carefully before completing the application form.

Fellowships are intended for LSA members who are undergraduate or graduate students. Individuals holding a PhD degree are not eligible for fellowships. Applicants who will have completed their dissertation before the Institute will have lowest priority for fellowships.

Any applicant who has been awarded two past Institute fellowships is ineligible to apply.

Applicants should understand that funds available for fellowships are limited. Fellowship awardees are most likely to receive grants limited to tuition.

Fellowship awardees are expected to attend and participate in the full six weeks of Institute activities. Further, they must enroll for a minimum of 8 credits.

Information supplied on the application MUST be typewritten or printed in black ink.

Applicants should keep in mind that careful consideration will be given by the committee to their applications; the statement of goals and letters of recommendation are especially important.

The following materials should be on file by 11 February 2005 (NOT postmarked 11 February 2005). NOTE: Post office delivery is erratic. Allow sufficient time for delivery delays; priority mail service often takes more than two days. All applications, letters, and supporting documentation must arrive by the deadline. Late materials will not be considered, whatever the reason for the delay. No email or fax materials will be accepted:

1. Completed Fellowship Application Form;

2. LSA membership dues if not already a member for 2005 ($40/US address; $60/non-US address). Applicants in currency-restricted countries who are unable to remit dues should contact the LSA Secretariat;

3. If available, scores on the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) and Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), noting the date you sat for the exam;

4. Two Letters of Recommendation from individuals familiar with your work. Applicants are urged to provide each recommender with a copy of the recommendation form. Letters are taken seriously and should be requested early. It is your responsibility to ensure that letters are sent on time; letters received via electronic mail or facsimile or after the deadline will not be accepted.

All fellowship application materials should be sent to:

Linguistic Society of America
1325 18th Street, NW, Suite 211
Washington, DC  20036-6501
USA

Admission Procedures

All applicants for fellowships must also register for the Linguistic Institute at MIT. The Institute brochure (available November 2004) contains registration forms and other detailed information. A request form for the Institute brochure is in this LSA Bulletin. Forms will also available at the Institute website: http://web.mit.edu/lsa2005/ (available November 2004).
Applicant's Name: _____________________________________________________________________________

I ____ waive _____ do not waive my right to read this letter of recommendation.

Applicant's signature: _________________________________________________

CONFIDENTIAL REPORT ON APPLICANT FOR AN LSA LINGUISTIC INSTITUTE FELLOWSHIP

To the Respondent: The above named applicant for a fellowship, who has chosen you as one of two referees, has been asked to give you this form. Recommendations are taken seriously by the Committee on Linguistic Institutes and Fellowships, so you are urged to respond promptly. Failure to send your report on time could disqualify the applicant from consideration. It will be helpful to the committee if you will include in your comments your estimate of the importance of the applicant's attending and of the appropriateness of this particular institute to the applicant's training. The more specific your comments, the more useful they will be to the committee. Please rank the applicant with respect to other students you have encountered at the same level of linguistic training, indicating explicitly the intended comparison class. If you are preparing recommendations for more than one applicant, it would be helpful to the committee to have these applications rank ordered. If you choose to write the recommendation on a separate sheet of paper, please make certain that you sign and date the sheet. In any case, your letter must be no longer than one side of one sheet. To protect both the applicant and the recommender, letters of recommendation sent by email or fax will not be accepted. Please sign and date this form and return it directly to: LSA Secretariat, 1325 18th St, NW, Suite 211, Washington, DC 20036-6501. The deadline for receipt of letters is 11 February 2005 (NOT postmarked 11 February.) NOTE: Post office delivery is erratic. Allow sufficient time for delivery delays; priority mail service often takes more than two days. Late letters will not be considered, whatever the reason for delay.

_______________________________________________ __________________________________________
Signature      Name (Print)

_______________________________________________ __________________________________________
Institution      Date
NOTE: All information must be typewritten or printed in black ink.

I. Personal Information

Name: Mr. Ms. (circle one)
__________________________________________________________

Social Security Number: ____________________________ E-mail address: ______________________________

Address: ________________________________________ _________________________________________
(home) (school or office) ______________________________________________

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Telephone: (     ) __________________________________ (     ) _____________________________________
(home) (school or office)

Country of citizenship: __________________________________

II. Academic Background

A. Present academic status: ___ Undergraduate ___ Master's Program ___ 1st/2nd yr PhD ___ 3rd yr+ PhD

B. Enrolled at: ______________________________________________________________________________

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C. BA/BS ____________________________ ____________________

MA/MS ____________________________ ____________________

PhD/EdD ____________________________ ____________________

D. Applicants should request GRE and TOEFL scores in time so that they may be received by the LSA office in Washington by 11 February 2005.

Scores requested: _____ GRE _____ TOEFL

In making this application, I agree to provide all requested information and to comply with the conditions of the fellowship if awarded.

Signature ______________________________

Date ____________________________
E. Linguistics and related courses you are taking this academic year:

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III. Have you attended previous LSA Institutes?  

___ Yes  ___ No

If yes, please complete:

a. Institution: ____________________________ Year: ______

b. Did you receive fellowship support at this LSA Institute?  ___Yes  ___No

Amount: ____________________________  Source: ____________________________

IV. List relevant papers you have published and/or professional presentations you have given.
V. 2005 Linguistic Institute

A. In a paragraph of 150 words explain why you want to participate in this Institute, what you hope to gain from it, and how it fits into your training.

B. List the course titles and instructors for classes you intend to take for credit at the 2005 Linguistic Institute. Check the schedule to be sure you have registered for 8 credits.

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VI. Other relevant information (work experience, language competence or experience, materials development, independent projects, study and work abroad, etc.):

VII. I have provided two recommenders with the recommendation form. (These forms must be returned to the LSA office by 11 February 2005.) Names of recommenders:

A. _________________________________________________________________

B. _________________________________________________________________

VIII. Language in the USA Fellowship of the Linguistic Institute

This fellowship is made possible through the generosity of Charles A. Ferguson, Shirley Brice Heath, and the many authors who have contributed their royalties from Language in the USA. The award will be given to a Linguistic Institute participant engaged in research on the language situation in the United States, with preference being given to study of the structure and/or use of minority languages. Participants will be eligible for the award so long as they are registered for at least 8 credits at the Institute.

Do you wish to be considered for the Language in the USA Fellowship? _____Yes  _____No

If yes, on a separate sheet of paper please describe your research on the language situation in the United States. Include a list of your publications and/or presentations that have resulted from this work, if any.

IX. Chinese Linguistics Fellowship

Through the support of the Chiang Ching-Kuo Foundation for International Scholarly Exchange, several fellowships will be awarded to participants who plan to enroll in at least two courses in or related to Chinese linguistics.

Do you wish to be considered for a Chinese Linguistics Fellowship? _____Yes  _____No

If yes, the list of courses you provide in Part V must include at least two Chinese linguistics or related courses.