

CONSTITUTION OF THE TULANE LINGUISTIC STUDENTS ASSOCIATION

Article I. Mission

1. To consolidate and focus on the problems and special interests of graduate students in the Linguistics Graduate Program (including the 4+1 MA program in Linguistics), as well as those focusing on linguistic fields in the Interdisciplinary PhD program.
2. To provide channels of communication between graduate students and graduate faculty.
3. To facilitate interaction and promote academic exchange and support among graduate students.

Article II. Organization

1. The name of the organization shall be **T-Lingonauts, Tulane Linguistic Students Association**.
2. All graduate students in the Linguistics Graduate Program (including the 4+1 MA program in Linguistics), as well as those focusing on linguistic fields in the Interdisciplinary PhD program are eligible to be voting members of this organization.
3. The director of the Linguistics Graduate Program will serve as the faculty liaison to the student organization when necessary.
4. The officers of this organization shall be as follows: Coordinator, Secretary-Treasurer, and at least one representative who will attend the meetings of the Graduate School Student Association (GSSA), our umbrella organization and primary source of funding.
5. The officers and representatives shall be elected by the general membership. The number of representatives shall not exceed 1 for every 15 students in the Programs, plus one for this organization.
6. The Coordinator and Secretary-Treasurer shall be elected in the spring, to serve for the following academic year. Alternatively, they can be selected in the fall of every year along with the elected GSSA representatives.
5. Membership dues shall be assessed only by a majority vote of all students in the programs.
6. A minimum of two meetings shall be held every year. Other meetings may be called as necessary. A quorum shall consist of those members present.

Article III. Amendments

The constitution may be amended by a majority vote of the members.

OFFICERS

The officers of the **T-Lingonauts, Tulane Linguistic Students Association** for the 2012-2013 term are:

Zachary Hebert
Coordinator

Matthew Crossland
Secretary- Treasurer

Shayra Helena Burgos-García
Representative to the GSSA

Judith Maxwell
Faculty Liaison