50th Anniversary LCIU

Commemorative Collection

LINGUISTICS CLUB



Dear Readers,

It is rare that a student organization has a history that is as prolific and distinguished as ours. Over the past 50 years, the Linguistics Club at Indiana University—formerly the IULC—has evolved with the changing times from a publication house to an organization that serves student interests. Over the past two years, the board members have established two goals: create and maintain awareness of the Club's legacy, and establish a sense of community among students and faculty. To accomplish our goals, we have organized social events called First Fridays in Linguistics (F:Ling), programmed a varied and insightful colloquia series, established the New Interdepartmental Conference on Linguistics Area Studies (NICOLAS), and broken ground on modernizing Linguistics Club Publications to a digital platform (forthcoming).

In addition, we have put together this 50th anniversary commemorative collection of works to provide a glimpse into our past, a snapshot of our present, and to lay the foundation for the future of the LCIU. Enclosed are biographies, research papers, and abstracts written by current students, alumni, and faculty.

The abstracts from current students—presented at the first NICOLAS—highlight the various research areas that students can pursue while studying at IU. The documents from our alumni showcase their research and memories, which illuminate the possibilities after studying Linguistics at IU. Those from our faculty exhibit the strengths and diversity of our department within the field of Linguistics.

Our efforts are the beginning of a new era for the LCIU and the student body it represents. It has been a pleasure for us to serve you over the past year. We hope you enjoy this commemorative collection.

Sincerely,

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