

Language science research and engagement at a language museum | AWARD # 2116959, 2116811, & 2116932

Partner: Planet Word museum

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Project Description

Our project develops a partnership between language researchers and Planet Word museum to advance research & public understanding about the science of language. We collect language science data from, and do outreach with, visitors to the museum.

Key Achievements

- Developed and run 5 research studies, with more on the way
- Interacted with over 3000 visitors at Planet Word since June 2022
- Trained 24 grad/undergrad students from 7 DC-area universities in 2 iterations of our summer course
- Connected with hundreds of followers on Twitter & Instagram @LangSciStation

We are learning: how to best design studies for museum audiences, how to best develop trainings

Audience & Settings

Audience: General public, Youth/Teens, Adults, Seniors, Families, Scientists

Disciplinary area: Social science

Learning environment: Museum

Access and Inclusion

We are committed to broadening participation in the language sciences both among the researchers and students we train, and among those who participate in our studies

- Through our multi-university partnership that includes MSIs, we recruit and train students and researchers from backgrounds underrepresented in the language sciences
- We collect data from museum visitors from all ages, languages, education levels, races, and abilities. The diversity of our participants means we are able to introduce language science topics to many who may not have encountered the field otherwise



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