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Editorial

This issue of *ial* marks the journal's 10th anniversary. *ial*'s continued growth as an applied linguistic journal is a testimony to our field's breadth of interest. As our name implies we were founded and continue to function as a journal which publishes work that is in some way an 'issue' in the field of applied linguistics. Several of our early volumes included roundtables which worked to generate more dialogue about our field, what was considered applied linguistics, and where different researchers drew boundaries. Our special issues on such topics as language socialization, the neurobiology of language, East Asian perspecitives, sociolinguistics and language minorities, and most recently the organization of participation have also provided a mechanism which editors throughout our history have used to give voice to authors whose empirical research pushes the boundaries of the field. It is exciting that as technology has developed, *ial* has attempted to include more innovative graphical representations of spoken language, and language use in interaction. This has allowed us to further encourage work which examines language use in context and as a naturally occuring phenomenon.

This issue also marks a shift in our editorial staff. Leah Wingard and Kathy Howard who have been working with us during the production of this issue will be taking over as co-editors for the next issue. Leah will also be working with David Olsher who will serve as a guest editor for a special issue on non-native discourse. We would like to take this opportunity to thank the many people who have made *ial* possible. This is an entirely student produced and largely UCLA funded journal, and it is thanks to the work of our entire staff that we have been able to continue and prosper for the last 10 years. In particular, we would like to especially thank past editor Betsy Rymes, our production editors Debra Friedman and Galina Bolden, our book review editors Angela Burnett, Wendy Klein, and Tosha Schore, our managing editor Myrna Gwen Turner, and our treasurer Nathan Carr who put in the many long hours it takes to produce our journal. We would also like to wish Leah and Kathy good luck and continued success with *ial*!

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