25th Anniversary of the Workshop on American Indian Languages

The Workshop on American Indigenous Languages by Jordan Douglas

The Workshop on American Indigenous Languages (WAIL) is a conference that has been organized and run by the graduate students of UCSB Linguistics. Advised by the Americanist faculty, the conference has been held since 1998. Since its founding, we have met every year in a summit of communities and scholars to discuss and share functionalist approaches to working with indigenous languages of the Americas. This last year, we held our 25th WAIL with keynote speaker Gabriela Pérez Báez (University of Oregon), whom Professor Marianne Mithun presented with the LSA Early Career Award.