

THE NEEDS

SUMMARY

SLIYS, Summer Linguistics Institute for Youth Scholars, offers courses in linguistics to high school students from around the world. We partner with these students and native speaker language consultants from OSU's international community to introduce the scientific study of language and to inspire the next generation of language scholars.

NEED FOR CONNECTIONS

High School Students

High schools need support providing challenging enrichments including:

- Application of scientific concepts to fields of study not available in high school curricula
- Opportunities to interact with speakers of other languages
- A chance to be part of a community of similarly interested peers
- An introduction to university life and academics.



OSU and The Department of Linguistics

The university seeks ways of reaching out to the community in order to:

- Recruit excellent students within Linguistics and the Humanities
- Increase public awareness of the field of Linguistics
- Shed light on STEM applications within Linguistics
- Develop funding opportunities for graduate students
- Provide varied experiences in instruction for graduate students

THE PROGRAM

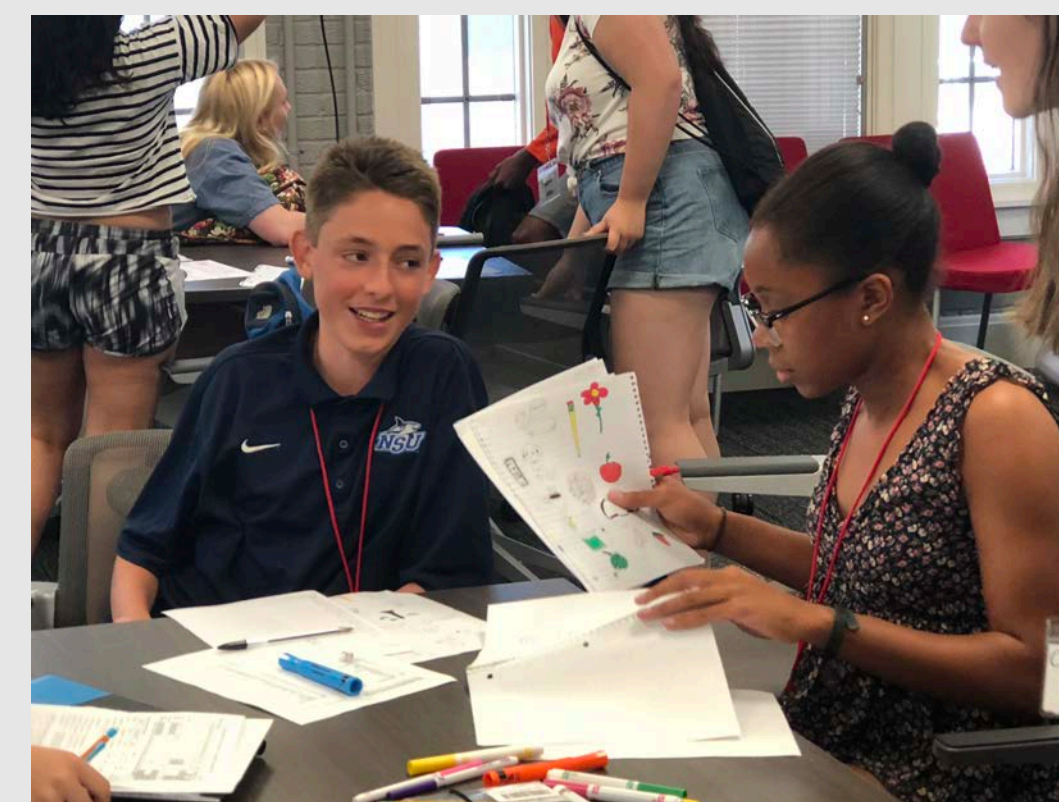
SUMMER LINGUISTICS INSTITUTE FOR YOUTH SCHOLARS

All information is available on our website: <https://linguistics.osu.edu/sliys>

PROCESS

Advertising (Autumn)

- Email, snail mail, and communicate directly with local high school guidance counselors, foreign language chairs, and instructors
- Write up in OSU publications
- Advertise in teacher and counselor organizations & newsletters
- Contact former SLIYS students and instructors to share with peers

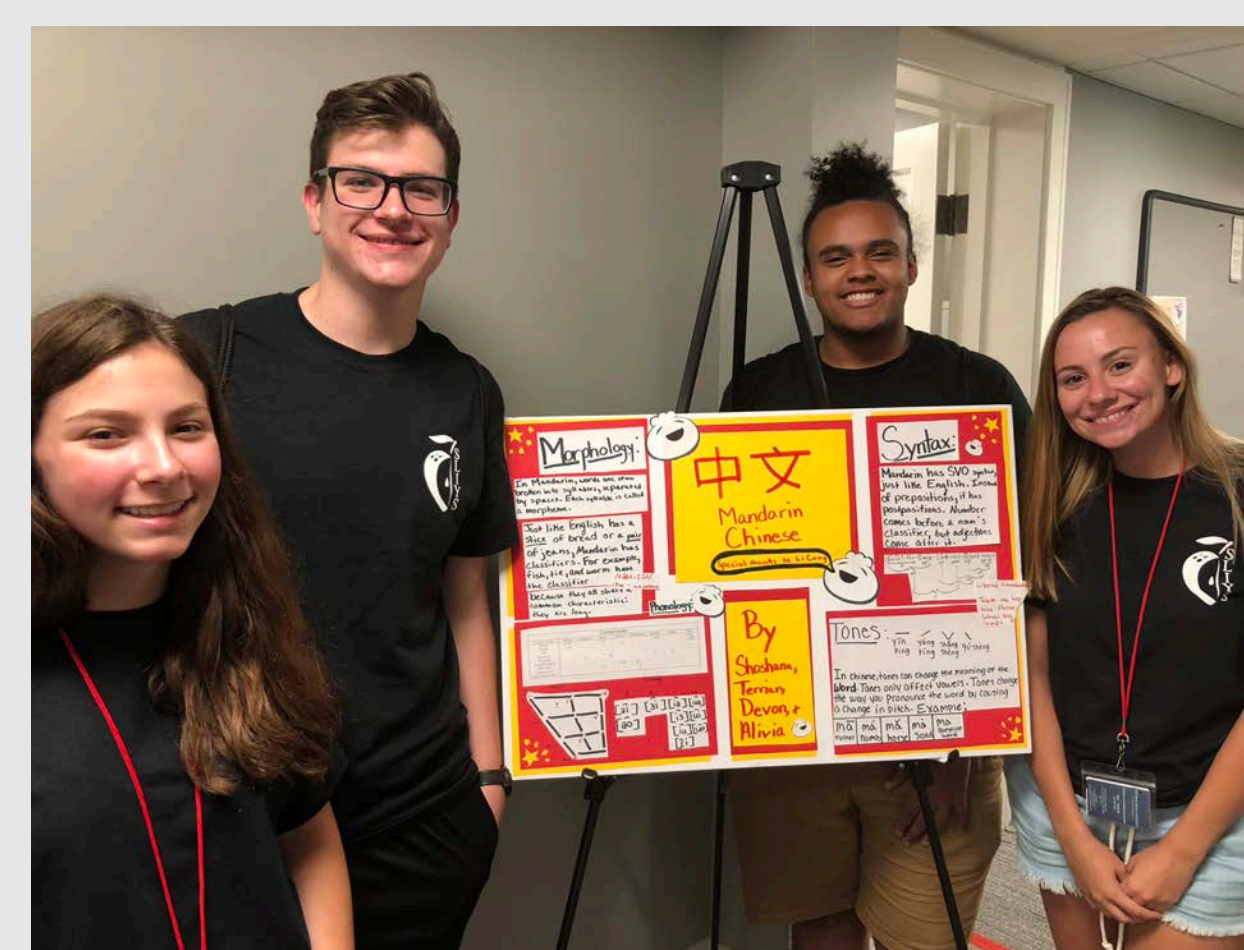
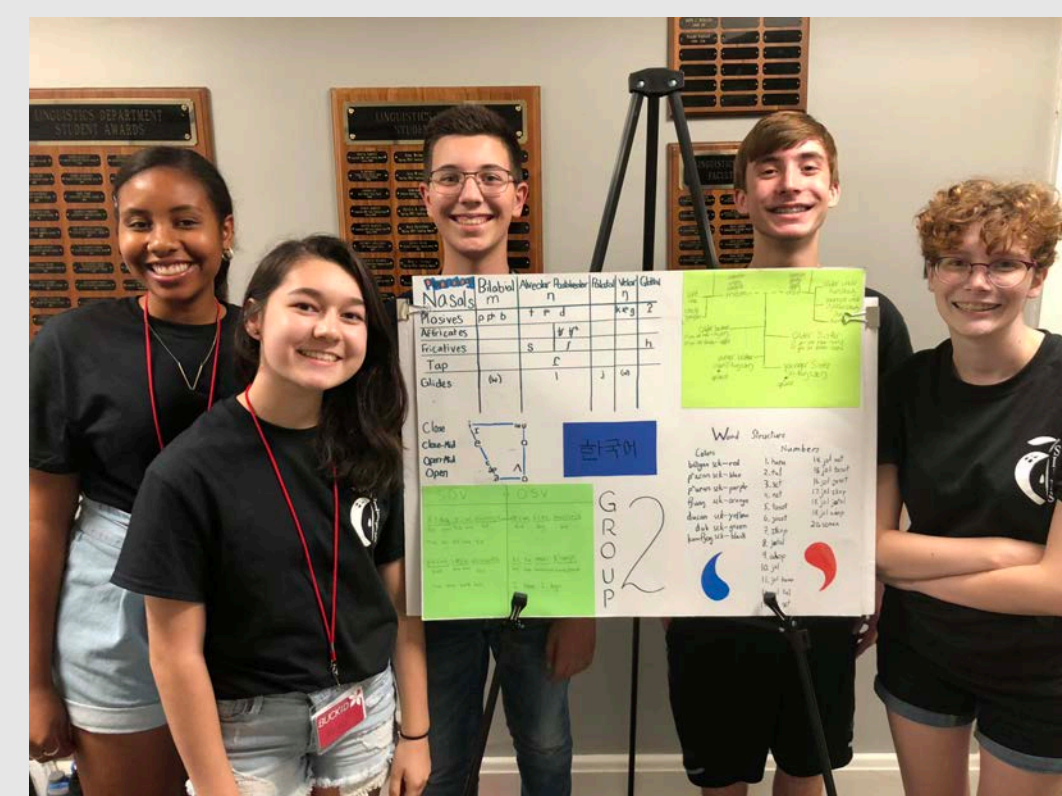


Applications (Winter & Spring)

- Students apply online
- Teacher recommendations required, online
- Applications reviewed for:
 - general interest in languages
 - working well with others
 - experience living away from home (for residents only)
 - parental permissions needed for safety and health standards

SLIYS Camp (Summer)

SLIYS 1 – offered during two separate weeks in June/July
 SLIYS 2 – advanced program following SLIYS 1 in July
 Weekend Bridge Program – room, board, supervision between SLIYS 1 & 2.
Cost: \$450 (Commuters); \$750 (Residents); \$300 (Bridge Program)



STRUCTURE

- Mornings: Lectures
 Small Group Work
 Panel Discussion
- Afternoons: Guest Lectures
 Preparation for Field Work
 Field Work research investigating languages of interest
 Presentation of SLIYS Student Research (Poster Session & Presentations)
- Evenings: Social Activities

THE RESULTS

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Academic Enrichment

- Lectures and Group Work: Students learn about linguistics, how languages are put together, how computers use language, and how linguists study diverse languages
- Research: SLIYS introduces scientific principles used to investigate languages
- Field Work: Students apply scientific principles when working with foreign language consultants
- Academic Presentations: Students share results of field work within a final presentation or poster sessions
- Potential Careers: Students learn about careers in linguistics from a faculty led panel discussion

Exposure to Academic Life

- The majority of students reside in OSU dormitories (95%+)
- Students interact with OSU students and faculty
- Students are familiarized with OSU's campus
 - Student cafeterias
 - Ohio Union
 - RPAC
 - Wexner Center

Social Benefits

Solicited and unsolicited feedback indicates that:

- Students receive validation from and form lasting connections with similarly minded peers
- Students feel "less isolated"



OSU AND THE DEPARTMENT OF LINGUISTICS

- Director, (Linguistics Staff or Faculty member)
- Full time instructors working between 9am-5pm (GRAs)
- Resident Assistants residing with students between 5pm-9am (GRAs)
- Social Director attending and coordinating logistics of all social activities with all SLIYS staff (GRA)
- Foreign Language Consultants (GRAs)

Outreach

- 2019 will be the 11th year of SLIYS
- Attendance is expected to exceed 100 students
- Participants are primarily from the United States with some from Europe and Asia

Recruitment

- An estimated 40% of participants attend Ohio State University
- Increased visibility within local high schools