Notes from the Editors

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The 5th Conference on Generative Approaches to Language Acquisition – North America took place on October 11-13, 2012, at the University of Kansas in Lawrence. The conference was organized by Alison Gabriele, Robert Fiorentino, Utako Minai, and Annie Tremblay. It included plenary addresses by Silvina Montrul, Colin Phillips, Mabel Rice, and Jesse Snedeker, a special session on Psycholinguistic and Neurolinguistic Approaches to Language Development with contributions from Barbara Conboy, Holger Hopp, Erik Pakulak, and Nicole Wicha, as well as 27 oral presentations and 41 poster presentations, most featuring research on first and second language acquisition, but some also featuring research on heritage language maintenance and on language disorders.

A total of 19 papers were selected for the GALANA5 Conference Proceedings, all of which were peer-reviewed. These papers are organized thematically, focusing on language acquisition in the domains of phonology, syntax, and syntax-semantics/pragmatics interfaces, as well as tense, aspect, and negation, and quantifiers and quantification.

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