No 2014 Sacks Prizes to be awarded. The Committee on Prizes and Awards has decided to recommend that no Sacks Prizes should be awarded for 2014.

2015 Sacks Prize. The ASL invites nominations for the 2015 Sacks Prize for the most outstanding doctoral dissertation in mathematical logic. Nominations must be received by September 30, 2015. The Sacks Prize was established to honor Professor Gerald Sacks of MIT and Harvard for his unique contribution to mathematical logic, particularly as adviser to a large number of excellent Ph.D. students. The Prize was first awarded in 1994 and became an ASL Prize in 1999. The Fund on which the Prize is based is now administered by the ASL and the selection of the recipient is made by the ASL Committee on Prizes and Awards. The Sacks Prize will consist of a cash award plus five years free membership in the ASL. For general information about the Prize, visit http://www.aslonline.org/info-prizes.html.

Anyone who wishes to make a nomination for the 2015 Sacks Prize should consult the webpage http://www.aslonline.org/Sacks nominations.html for the precise details of the application process. A brief summary of the procedure is provided below.

Students who defend their dissertations (equivalent to the American doctoral dissertation) between October 1, 2014, and September 30, 2015, are eligible for the Prize this year. This is an international prize, with no restriction on the nationality of the candidate or the university where the doctorate is granted. Nominations should be made by the thesis adviser, and consist of: name of student, title and 1–2 page description of dissertation, date and location of the thesis defense, letter of recommendation from the adviser, an electronic copy of the thesis in .pdf form, or the address of a web site from which an electronic copy in .pdf form can be downloaded, and an independent second letter of recommendation. Nominations should be sent to the Committee Chair, Simon Thomas; .pdf files sent as attachments by email to sthomas@math.rutgers.edu are preferred. The form of such letters and other pertinent details can be found at the web site above, and need to be read prior to submitting a nomination. Correspondence should be addressed to Simon Thomas, Department of Mathematics, Rutgers University, Hill Center - Busch Campus, 110 Frelinghuysen Road, Piscataway, NJ 08854-8019, USA.

Those wishing to contribute to the Sacks Prize Fund may send contributions to the ASL office (ASL, Box 742, Vassar College, 124 Raymond Avenue, Poughkeepsie, New York 12604). All such contributions are tax-deductible within the USA.

Discounted Dues for New ASL Individual Members. The ASL now offers a 50% discount on dues for new individual members during each of the first two years of membership. For more information, visit http://www.aslonline.org/membership-individual.html.

Free Individual ASL Membership Program for Individuals in Developing Economies. The ASL invites applications for an initial two-year free membership in the Association for new and lapsed members from countries classified as developing economics. The list, found at http://www.aslonline.org/worldbankeconomies.html includes Brazil, Bulgaria, China, Colombia, India, Iran, South Africa, and many other countries classified as ‘upper middle income’ or below on the World Bank’s annual list for four of the last five years. To apply, please send an email to the ASL Committee on Membership at asl-membership@googlegroups.com. Include your name, full mailing address, and your academic affiliation. For information about the ASL and membership benefits, visit http://www.aslonline.org/membership-individual.html. After the initial two-year period new members under this program will pay the reduced membership dues, currently at US$18, (see below) as long as their country of residence is on the ASL’s list of developing economies.
• Reduced Dues for Individuals and Institutions in Developing Economies. The ASL offers reduced dues for individuals and institutions in developing economies. For 2015, the reduced dues are US$18 for individuals and US$130 for institutional basic membership, US$180 for full membership. These dues apply to individuals and institutions in countries whose economies are classified as ‘upper middle income’ or below on the World Bank’s annual list for four of the last five years. For more information, visit http://www.aslonline.org/membership_outreach.html or contact the ASL Business Office: ASL, Box 742, Vassar College, 124 Raymond Avenue, Poughkeepsie, New York 12604, USA; Tel: 1-845-437-7080; Fax: 1-845-437-7830; email: asl@vassar.edu.

• Emeritus ASL Individual Membership. The ASL offers retired individual members two membership options. Emeritus membership includes all the privileges of regular individual membership and is available to retired individuals who have been members of the ASL for 15 years. The dues for Emeritus membership for 2015 are US$47. The privileges attached to Retired membership (previously called Emeritus membership) include the ASL Newsletter and the right to vote in ASL elections, but do not include subscriptions to the ASL journals. Retired membership is offered to retired individuals who have been members of the Association for 20 years and is free. For more information about both options, visit http://www.aslonline.org/membership-individual.html.


• Book and Journal Discounts for ASL Members. Several publishers now offer discounts on books and journals to ASL members. For a detailed description of these discounts, visit http://www.aslonline.org/members-discounts.html, or write to the ASL Business Office.

ASL MEETINGS

• Student Travel Awards: The 2015 ASL European Summer Meeting and other ASL or ASL-Sponsored Meetings. The ASL will make available modest travel awards to graduate students in logic and (for the European Summer Meeting only) to recent Ph.D.s so that they may attend the 2015 ASL European Summer Meeting in Helsinki, Finland. Student members of the ASL also may apply for travel grants to other ASL or ASL-sponsored meetings. See below for information about these meetings. To be considered for a travel award, please (1) send a letter of application, and (2) ask your thesis supervisor to send a brief recommendation letter. The application letter should be brief (preferably one page) and should include: (1) your name; (2) your home institution; (3) your thesis supervisor’s name; (4) a one-paragraph description of your studies and work in logic, and a paragraph indicating why it is important to attend the meeting; (5) your estimate of the travel expenses you will incur; (6) (for citizens or residents of the USA) citizenship or visa status; and (7) (voluntary) indication of your gender and minority status. Women and members of minority groups are strongly encouraged to apply. In addition to funds provided by the ASL, the program of travel grants is supported by a grant from the US National Science Foundation; NSF funds for meetings outside of North America may be awarded only to students at USA universities and to citizens and permanent residents of the USA. Air travel paid for using NSF funds must be in accordance with the Fly America Act. Application by email is encouraged; put “ASL travel application” in the subject line of your message.

For the 2015 ASL European Summer Meeting, applications and recommendations should be received before the deadline of May 3, 2015, by the Organizing Committee: Logic Colloquium 2015, Department of Mathematics and Statistics, P.O. Box 68, FI-00014 University of Helsinki, FINLAND; email: lc-2015@helsinki.fi. For applications by email, please put “ASL travel application” in the subject line of your message. Decisions will be communicated at least two months prior to the meeting.

For ASL student member travel grants to ASL or ASL-sponsored meetings (other than the 2015 European Summer Meeting), applications and recommendations should be received at least three months prior to the meeting at the ASL Business Office: ASL, Box 742, Vassar College, 124 Raymond Avenue, Poughkeepsie, New York 12604, USA; Fax: 1-845-437-7830; email: asl@vassar.edu. Decisions will be communicated at least two months prior to the meeting.


• 2015 ASL European Summer Meeting (Logic Colloquium ’15). August 3–8, 2015, Helsinki, Finland. Logic Colloquium ’15 will be co-located with the 15th Conference of Logic, Methodology and Philosophy of Science (CLMPS 2015; see below and http://clmps.helsinki.fi), and the Scandinavian Logic Society Summer School in Logic (see below and http://www.helsinki.fi/lc2015/sls.html). Tutorials will be offered by E. Grädel and M. Magidor. The invited plenary speakers include: T. Arai, S. Artemov, S. Awodey, J. van Benthem, A. Chernikov, I. Farah, D. Macbeth, A. Morozov, Y. Peterzil, R. Schindler, S. Shelah, and S. Terwijn. Special sessions (with organizers in parentheses) include: Computability theory (R. Miller and A. Soskova), Logic and quantum foundations (S. Abramsky), Model theory (D. Macpherson), Philosophy of mathematics and logic (P. Blanchette and P. Maddy), Proof theory (B. van den Berg and M. Rathjen), and Set theory (H. Mildenberger). The Program Committee members are: A. Bauer, Z. Chatzidakis, J.F. Knight, S. Kreutzer, Ø. Linnebo, K. Tanaka, J. Väänänen, A. Weiermann, and D. Westerståhl (Chair). The Local Organizing Committee includes: A. Halko, M. Hannula, L. Hella, A. Hirvonen, T. Huuskonen, T. Hyttinen, K. Kangas, J. Kennedy, J. Kontinen, K. Luosto, M. Moreno, J. Oikkonen, M. Pauna, J. Väänänen (Chair), and F. Yang. For further information, visit http://www.helsinki.fi/lc2015/.

Abstracts of contributed talks submitted by ASL members will be published in The Bulletin of Symbolic Logic if they satisfy the Rules for Abstracts (see below). Abstracts can be submitted at http://www.helsinki.fi/lc2015/submission.html; the deadline for submission is May 3, 2015.

• 2015-16 ASL Winter Meeting (with Joint Mathematics Meetings). January 6–9, 2016, Seattle, Washington. This meeting will take place in conjunction with the Joint Mathematics Meetings. The invited speakers include: D. Bartosova, N. Dobrinen, L. van den Dries, J. Freitag, C. Jockusch, B. Khoussainov, and J. Zapletal. The members of the Program Committee are C. Conley, C. Ealy, and J. Hirst (Chair). Abstracts of contributed talks submitted by ASL members will be published in The Bulletin of Symbolic Logic if they satisfy the Rules for Abstracts (see below). Abstracts must be received by the deadline of September 11, 2015, at the ASL Business Office: ASL, Box 742, Vassar College, 124 Raymond Avenue, Poughkeepsie, New York 12604, USA; Fax: 1-845-437-7830; email: asl@vassar.edu.

• 2016 ASL North American Annual Meeting. May 23–26, 2016, Storrs, Connecticut. The members of the Program Committee include: P. Blanchette (Chair), D. Dzhafarov, R. Lubarsky, A. Montalban, J. Moore, and C. Wood. The members of the Local Organizing Committee are: Jc. Beall, D. Dzhafarov, D. Ripley, M. Rossberg, and R. Solomon (Chair).

Rules for Abstracts. The rules for abstracts of contributed talks at ASL meetings (including those submitted “by title”) may be found at http://www.aslonline.org/rules_abstracts.html. Please note that abstracts must follow the rules as set forth there; those which do not conform to the requirements will be returned immediately to the authors who submitted them. Revised abstracts that follow the rules will be considered if they are received by the announced deadline.

ASL SPONSORED MEETINGS


• Fifth World Congress and School on Universal Logic (UNILOG 2015). June 20–30, 2015, Istanbul, Turkey. The invited keynote speakers include: G. Basti, Jc. Beall, J. Brummer-Caumont, J. Bueno Soler,


- **Computability in Europe 2015 (CiE 2015): Evolving Computability.** June 29–July 3, 2015, Bucharest, Romania. This is the eleventh in a series organized by Computability in Europe (CiE). Tutorials will be offered by J. Reif and S. Simpson. A public lecture will be offered by M. Dumitru. The invited speakers include: A. Copestake, P. Gawrychowski, J. Knight, A. Muscholl, G. Paun, A. Razborov, and V. Vedral. Special sessions on the following topics also are planned (with organizers in parentheses): Automata, logic, and infinite games (D. Berwanger and I. Leustean); Bio-inspired computation (A. Paun and P. Sosik); Classical computability theory (M. Arslanov and S. Lempp); History and philosophy of computing (M. Benini and C. Proust); Representing streams (J. Endrullis and D. Hendriks); and Reverse mathematics (D. Dzhafarov and A. Marcone). The Program Committee Co-chairs are V. Mitrana and M. Sokolova, and the Chair of the Steering Committee is A. Beckmann. For more information, visit [http://fmi.unibuc.ro/CiE2015/](http://fmi.unibuc.ro/CiE2015/).

- **Thirtieth Annual ACM/IEEE Symposium on Logic in Computer Science (LICS 2015).** July 6–10, 2015, Kyoto, Japan. The LICS Symposium is an annual forum on theoretical and practical topics in computer science that relate to logic. This event will be co-located with the 2015 International Colloquium on Automata, Languages and Programming (ICALP 2015; see below). The LICS Program Committee Chair is C. Palamidessi, the Conference Chair is M. Hasegawa, the Workshop Chair is P. Bouyer-Decitre, and the General Chair is L. Ong. For more information, see [http://lics.rwth-aachen.de/lics15/](http://lics.rwth-aachen.de/lics15/).


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• Twenty-second Workshop on Logic, Language, Information and Computation (WoLLIC’2015). 
  July 20–23, 2015, Bloomington, Indiana. This is the twenty-second in a series of workshops intended to foster 
  interdisciplinary research in pure and applied logic. The Chair of the Program Committee is V. de Paiva. The 
  Co-chairs of the Organizing Committee are D. Leivant, L. Moss, and R. de Queiroz. For further information, 
  visit http://wollic.org/wollic2015/.

• Hilbert-Bernays Summer School on Logic and Computation. July 26–August 1, 2015, Göttingen, Germany. 
  The following minicourses will be offered (with speakers in parentheses): Automatic reasoning in the 
  automobile industry (W. Küchlin), Gödel’s Incompleteness Theorems (R. Kahle), Hilbert and Bernays in Göttingen 
  (U. Stuhler), Ordinal analysis (W. Pohlers), and Recursion and complexity (I. Oitavem). For further information, 

• Scandinavian Logic Society Summer School in Logic 2015. July 27–31, 2015, Helsinki, Finland. This 
  event will be co-located in 2015 with the European Summer Meeting of the Association for Symbolic Logic (Logic 
  Colloquium ’15; see above) and the 15th Conference of Logic, Methodology and Philosophy of Science (CLMPS 
  2015; see below). The following courses will be offered (with lecturers in parentheses): Automata-theoretic 
  verification (M. Vardi), Classification theory (Å Hirvonen), Logic and quantum information (S. Abramsky), 
  Logical completeness, the very idea (C. Franks), Order-invariant logics (N. Schweikardt), Proof theory and proof 
  mining (J. Avigad), and Reflection principles and large cardinals (L. Fontanella). The members of the Program 
  Committee are: P. Blanchette, T. Coquand, M. Gehrke, E. Grädel, R. Iemhoff, E. Palmgren, M. Rathjen, and S. 
  Smets. The Co-chairs of the Organizing Committee are J. Kennedy and D. Normann. For further information, 

• Twenty-seventh European Summer School in Logic, Language and Information (ESSLLI-2015). 
  August 3–14, 2015, Barcelona, Catalonia, Spain. The European Summer School in Logic, Language and Information 
  brings together logicians, linguists, computer scientists, and philosophers to study language, logic and 
  information, and their interconnections. Introductory and advanced courses, together with workshops, cover a 
  wide variety of topics within the three areas of interest: Language and Computation, Language and Logic, and 
  Logic and Computation. ESSLLI-2015 is organized under the auspices of the European Association for Logic, 
  Language and Information (FoLLI). For more information about ESSLLI-2015, visit http://esslli2015.org; 
  for further information about FoLLI, visit http://www.folli.info.

CALENDAR OF OTHER MEETINGS (Also see http://www.aslonline.org.)

• Twelfth Annual Conference on Theory and Applications of Models of Computing (TAMC 2015). 
  May 18–20, 2015, Singapore. This series aims to bring together a wide range of researchers with interests in 
  computational theory and applications. The Conference Chair is S. Jain; the Program Committee Chairs are 

• BLAST2015@UNT. June 8–12, 2015, Denton, Texas. BLAST (Boolean Algebras, Lattices, Algebraic & 
  Quantum Logic, Universal Algebra, Set Theory, and Set-theoretic & Point-free Topology) is an annual conference 
  sponsored by the National Science Foundation. Tutorials will be offered by A. Ciabattoni, J. Cummings, R. 
  McKenzie, and S. Solecki. The invited speakers include: C. Bergman, A. Dow, M. Hrusak, P. Jipsen, A. 
  Kwiatkowska, D. Raghavan, H. Sakai, and G. Sargsyan. The members of the Organizing Committee are: K. 
  Beres, S. Gao, S. Jackson, and J. Krueger. The deadline for submission of abstracts is May 18, 2015. For further 
  information, visit http://math.unt.edu/BLAST2015@UNT.

• Mathematical Foundations of Programming Semantics XXXI (MFPS 2015). June 22–25, 2015, 
  Nijmegen, Netherlands. This conference series is dedicated to the areas of mathematics, logic, and computer sci-
ence that are related to models of computation in general, and to semantics of programming languages in particular. The invited speakers include: T. Coquand, P.B. Levy, G. McCusker, A. Pitts, and S. Staton. Invited tutorials will be offered by P. Gardner, A. Murawski, D. Petrişan, and M. Pretnar. Special sessions are planned on algebraic effects, concurrent programs and separation logics, game semantics, and nominal techniques. The Chair of the Program Committee is D.R. Ghica. The members of the Organizing Committee are: A. Bauer, S. Brookes, A. Jung, C. Meadows, M. Mislove, C. Ouaknine, and P. Panangaden. For further information, visit http://events.cs.bham.ac.uk/mfps31/.

- **Forty-second International Colloquium on Automata, Languages and Programming (ICALP 2015).** July 6–10, 2015, Kyoto, Japan. This event will be co-located with the Thirtieth Annual ACM/IEEE Symposium on Logic in Computer Science (LICS 2015; see above). The three program tracks are: algorithms, complexity and games; logic, semantics, automata and theory of programming; and foundations of networked computation: models, algorithms, and information management. Tutorials (joint with LICS 2015) will be given by P. Indyk, A. Pitts, and G. Smith. The keynote speakers are: K. Kawarabayashi, V. King, T. Moscibroda, A. Muscholl, and P. O’Hearn. The conference will be preceded and followed by a series of workshops. The Conference Chair is K. Iwama. For more information, visit http://www.kurims.kyoto-u.ac.jp/icalp2015/.

- **Second Joint Journées sur les Arithmétiques Faibles and Mid Atlantic Mathematical Logic Seminar (JAF/MALS).** July 7–9, 2015, New York, New York. The confirmed speakers include: S. Buss, A. Cordón Franco, P. Glivicky, J. Hamkins, K. Lange, E. Nukhaidarov, J. Schmerl, J. Tomasik, H. Towsner, and K. Yokoyama. The conference is organized by P. Cegielski, A. Dolich, R. Kossak (Chair), and K. Ojakian. Funding is available to support participant travel; please write to jafnycfund@gmail.com to apply for support. For further information, visit http://www.dolich.com/jaf.

- **Fifteenth Congress of Logic, Methodology and Philosophy of Science.** August 3–8, 2015, Helsinki, Finland. Held every four years since 1960, this is the main international conference organized by the Division of Logic, Methodology and Philosophy of Science (DLMPS) of the International Union of History and Philosophy of Science (IUHPS). The Congress will be co-located in 2015 with the European Summer Meeting of the Association for Symbolic Logic (Logic Colloquium ’15; see above) and the Scandinavian Logic Society Summer School in Logic (see above). The program is divided into sections under the headings of Logic, General Philosophy of Science, and Philosophical Issues of Particular Disciplines. The President of the Executive Committee of DLMPS is E. Sober, the Program Committee Chair is H. Leitgeb, and the Chair of the Local Organizing Committee is I. Niiniluoto. For more information, visit http://clmps.helsinki.fi/index.php.

- **Twenty-Fourth Annual Conference of the European Association for Computer Science Logic (CSL 2015).** September 7–10, 2015, Berlin, Germany. This is the annual conference of the European Association for Computer Science Logic (EACSL). It is intended for computer scientists whose research activities involve logic, as well as for logicians working on issues significant for computer science. The invited speakers include: M. Abadi, E. Kashefi, M. Lohrey, and R. Williams. The 2015 Ackermann Award, the EACSL annual award for the outstanding dissertation for logic in computer science, will be presented at the meeting. The Chair of the Program Committee is S. Kreutzer. The members of the Organizing Committee are: S. Amiri, C. Dittmann, V. Engelmann, S. Kreutzer (Chair), J. Pilz, R. Rabinovich, and S. Siebertz. Co-located with CSL 2015 on September 11–12 is a Symposium on Logic in Computer Science celebrating Yuri Gurevich’s 75th birthday (see https://www.react.uni-saarland.de/yurifest/). For further information, visit http://logic.las.tu-berlin.de/csl2015/.

The next Newsletter will be sent in September 2015. Items to be included should reach the Secretary-Treasurer before September 1, 2015.

Submitted by Charles Steinhorn, Secretary-Treasurer.