



Sociolinguistics Seminar

Michaelmas Term 2026

Convenors: Devyani Sharma, Magnus Hamann

Tuesdays, **4-5pm**

Schwarzman Centre, Seminar Room 10.303

This new seminar series is for students and Faculty members with an interest in any aspect of Sociolinguistics. The series is advertised to the Faculty of Linguistics, Philology, and Phonetics and to the Faculty of English (as the Language and Society Seminar) but we welcome attendees from any Faculty.

Week 1 (Oct 13): Carter Bellaimy

“Outsourcing American Accents: British actors, dialect coaches, and the homogenization of ‘General American’ ”

Week 2 (Oct 20): Xinxin Yang

“Using sociolinguistic methods to develop communication interventions in clinical trials”

Week 3 — no meeting

Week 4 (Nov 3): David Willis and Oddur Snorrason

“Introducing CURLEW: Census of Urban and Regional Language in England and Wales”

Week 5 (Nov 10): Mary Robinson

“The Social Meaning of Negative Concord”

Week 6 (Nov 17): Daniel Duncan, Newcastle University

“Does sound change ride the Metro?”

Week 7 (Nov 24): BA dissertations workshop

Week 8 (Dec 1): Yiran Che

“What Can We Learn from Older Adults’ Narratives?”

