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Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to announce an upcoming Special Issue of *Languages* highlighting current research that sits firmly at the intersection of sociolinguistics and second language (L2) acquisition: the L2 acquisition of sociolinguistic competence. This important body of research has grown substantially over the past 30 years and has contributed significantly to our understanding of what it means to ‘acquire’ a second (or additional) language, both in terms of the internal processes involved in linguistic development and in terms of the social and contextual factors that may support or inhibit acquisition.

We welcome contributions on a range of topics related to the L2 acquisition of sociolinguistic competence. We request that authors initially submit a proposed title and an abstract of 400–600 words. Please send submissions to the Guest Editors and to the *Languages* editorial office. Abstracts will be reviewed by the Guest Editors to assess their relevance to the Special Issue. Full manuscripts will undergo double-blind peer-review.

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