



Language Pathways Podcast Series: Connecting Heritage Learners to Federal Careers Episode 1: Skills and Abilities of Heritage Learners

Resources from the Episode

ACTFL

<https://www.actfl.org/>

ACTFL is a membership organization that works to promote quality language teaching and learning.

Language Acquisition Resource Center at San Diego State University

<https://larc.sdsu.edu/>

The Language Acquisition Resource Center (LARC) promotes the effective teaching and learning of world languages, including less commonly taught languages, through language and culture programs and research to support educators and improve assessment.

STARTALK

<https://www.startalk.info/>

STARTALK is a federal grant program funded by the National Security Agency. STARTALK funds programs for students in grades K-12 and undergraduate students to learn critical need languages as well as programs and resources for educators teaching these languages.

Coalition of Community-Based Heritage Language Schools

<https://www.heritagelanguageschools.org/coalition>

The Coalition of Community-Based Heritage Language Schools supports community-based heritage language schools and maps these schools across the United States.

Additional Resources

The National Heritage Language Resource Center at UCLA

<https://nhlrc.ucla.edu/nhlrc/home>

The National Heritage Language Resource Center (NHLRC) offers research and resources about heritage language learners and provides professional development opportunities for educators.

NPR Life Kit – How to learn a heritage language

<https://www.npr.org/2022/05/25/1101187823/how-to-learn-a-heritage-language>

This 23-minute NPR podcast episode features different heritage language learners describing their relationship and journey with their heritage language. The episode also highlights the strengths of heritage learners and provides advice to build on them.

STARTALK – Teaching Heritage Language Learners

<http://startalk.nhlrc.ucla.edu/startalk/lessons.aspx>

This online workshop is designed to help educators teach heritage language learners. Students can find information to help understand the differences between heritage language learning and foreign language learning.