

CALL FOR PROPOSALS: New Editor of *Gender & Society*

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Gender & Society, published by Sociologists for Women in Society since 1987, is the top ranked gender studies journal in the country and is one of the top journals in sociology. The journal receives nearly 500 new submissions each year with about 9,000 subscribers and about 325,000 article downloads each year. The journal has a strong tradition of supporting mentoring, professional development, disseminating gender scholarship broadly, and for developing feminist scholarship throughout the peer-review and editorial process.

The Publications Committee of Sociologists for Women in Society announces a search for the next Editor of our journal, *Gender & Society*. The Editor will serve a four-year term beginning August 2019 with Volume 34 and ending with Volume 37 in December 2022. There will be two transition periods, May to July 31, 2019, to transition into the editorial duties and January through July 31, 2023, to transition to the next Editorial Office. The Publications Committee seeks an Editor or Editorial team with a demonstrated consistent track record of productive scholarship, commitment to the mentoring mission of the journal, and a vision and strategy for maintaining and strengthening *Gender & Society* as a prestigious interdisciplinary journal. The publisher (Sage) and organization (SWS) provide significant resources to the editorial office, but the institution that hosts the journal will also be expected to provide support for both the Editor and the office. The proposal should indicate the expected institutional support, including a letter from an institutional representative, such as Chair and/or Dean. The proposal must also formally specify the details of the proposed editorial structure, including names and qualifications of all Editors who will be actively involved in the reviewing and editing processes and the methodological and substantive range of the Editorial team.

Gender & Society operates on an electronic platform (Manuscript Central) through which the editor manages all aspects of the publication and review process. In 2017, the journal received an average of 40 new submissions each month, resulting in over 500 decisions on manuscripts in a year. The average time to a decision on externally reviewed manuscripts is less than 70 days.

It is the Editor's responsibility to work with the publisher to ensure timely and accurate delivery of manuscripts for bi-monthly publication. The Editorial Office also works with the Book Review Editor, and with the SWS Media Relations Subcommittee with the aim of promoting the scholarship in the journal through a variety of mechanisms (e.g. blogs, Twitter, Facebook, podcasts, and press releases). The Editor(s) are accountable to SWS (through the Publications Committee) for accomplishing the goals of the journal within the budget.

A preliminary discussion of the work, key issues, resources provided and expectations is strongly encouraged, with the Chair of the Search Committee, Heather Laube (hlaube@umflint.edu), and the current Editor Jo Reger (reger@oakland.edu). Members of SWS are encouraged to apply and/or suggest colleagues who might apply. Editorial teams, preferably at the same institution, are welcome to apply.

Applicants should send a cover letter of application including a vision for the future of the journal, detailed outline of the proposed editorial structure, including capacity to manage the journal's volume, documentation of institutional support, and curriculum vita of the proposed Editor(s) and any Deputy Editors by June 1, 2018 to: Heather Laube at hlaube@umflint.edu .