Call for Applications and Nominations
Editor of the Journal of Insurance Issues

The Boards of the Western Risk & Insurance Association (WRIA) and the Southern Risk & Insurance Association (SRIA) invite applications and nominations for the position of Editor of the Journal of Insurance Issues [ISSN 1531-6076 / EISSN: 23324244]. The Position Description, Journal Information, Desired Editor Qualifications, Editor Responsibilities, and Application / Nomination Procedures are below. Applications for editorial partnerships are welcome.

Position Description

The Editor has overall responsibility for assuring the timely and efficient publication of the Journal of Insurance Issues (Journal hereafter). The Editor will be appointed to a three-year term with the initial appointment to begin in January 2023. The Editor reports to the boards of SRIA and WRIA.

Journal Information

The Journal publishes original research in insurance and risk management, including both theoretical and empirical submissions. Papers submitted to the Journal are initially screened by the Editor for suitability. Papers passing the initial screen are sent to an Associate Editor who assigns the paper to one or two referees. The Associate Editor, based on his/her own review as well as the review(s) of the other referee(s), makes a recommendation to the Editor who then communicates his/her decision to the author(s) along with the referee reports. The review process is double-blind (i.e., authorship of manuscripts under consideration are anonymous to the reviewers, and the identities of reviewers are not revealed to the authors). The Journal is the official publication of WRIA since 1977, and has been jointly sponsored with SRIA since 2010. The Journal is archived in JSTOR and indexed on the Emerging Sources Citation Index (ESCI).

Desired Editor Qualifications

- A strong publication record in risk management and insurance, including the academic reputation to recruit and retain esteemed Associate Editors.
- A commitment to and a vision for promoting significant scholarly research in the risk and insurance domain, and to maintaining and improving upon the Journal’s editorial standards.
- A reputation for fairness, objectivity, and integrity.
- Managerial and administrative skills necessary to assure the timely publication of the Journal, including strong working relationship with Associate Editors.
- While the editor’s home institution has traditionally provided financial and editorial support for the publication process, this is not a prerequisite for consideration.
- Editorial experience either as an Editor or Associate Editor (preferred but not required).

Editor Responsibilities

The Editor will perform the normal duties associated with the editorship of an academic journal including, but not limited to, the following specific responsibilities:
- With the guidance of the WRiA and SRIA Boards, determine editorial policies and procedures.
- Recruit, appoint and manage interaction with Associate Editors.
- Supervise the review of manuscripts submitted for publication in the Journal.
- Assure the timely and efficient publication of the Journal.
- Evaluate the submission, review, and publication process.
- As necessary, review journal scope and strategy and propose changes to WRiA/SRIA boards.
- Provide periodic reports for SRIA and WRiA annual board meetings on Journal activities, and attend annual meetings.
- Expand the Journal’s impact and circulation.
- Assure the timely publication of each issue.
- Serve as ex officio member of the WRiA Board of Directors.

Preference given to applications submitted by August 31, 2022

Applications should include:

1. Curriculum vita.
2. Indication of any proposed editorial partnerships (proposed co-editor CV, institutional affiliation, etc.)
3. Statement of editorial vision, including a) why the applicant(s) wishes to be Editor, b) how the applicant’s editorial style would differ, if at all, from current Journal style, and c) how the applicant would manage his/her editorial responsibilities with other academic duties.
4. Level and type of financial or in-kind support available from the applicant’s home educational institution. (Note that the search committee will not evaluate applications based solely on institutional support. All selections are subject to approval by the Boards of Directors of both SRIA and WRiA.)
5. Any other factors that support the application.

The search committee also welcomes outside nominations, requested by July 31, 2022. The search committee will communicate with qualified nominees to solicit a formal application.

To assure full consideration, nominations (requested by July 31) and applications (preferably by August 31) should be sent by email to James I. Hilliard (james.hilliard@temple.edu) and should be addressed to:

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