

## CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR A NEW SERJ EDITOR DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF NOMINATIONS: 1 NOVEMBER 2021

The International Association for Statistical Education (IASE) is searching for the next Editor of its peer-reviewed flagship journal, *Statistics Education Research Journal (SERJ)*. The new Editor will serve a four-year term from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2025. The new Editor will replace Jennifer Kaplan (Middle Tennessee State University, USA), who will end her tenure December 2022. The new editor will join Daniel Frischemeier (Paderborn University, Germany), the Editor of Special Editions.

## 1. ABOUT SERJ

SERJ was established in 2002 by IASE to advance research-based knowledge that can help to improve the teaching, learning, and understanding of statistics and probability at all educational levels and in both formal and informal contexts. SERJ publishes three issues per year including a special issue edition of changing theme. The scope of submitted manuscripts represents the growing interest in research and new knowledge that can inform practice in statistics education.

The operation of *SERJ* includes an Editor and a Special Edition Editor, who normally serve for three years, an Assistant Editor in charge of copy-editing and production, and an Editorial Board of 16 Associate Editors from nine countries. *SERJ* issues and materials are published through an Online Journal System on the <u>IASE website</u>. The Editor will work in conjunction with the *SERJ* Advisory Board under the auspices of the IASE executive, managing the production of two issues of *SERJ* per year. The journal maintains autonomy regarding content and process, although some activities are coordinated with IASE and its parent organization and *SERJ* co-publisher, the International Statistical Institute (ISI). All journal activities are conducted electronically. The IASE Executive, *SERJ* Advisory Board and *SERJ* Editors meet during key international conferences such as ICOTS or the ISI's World Statistics Congress. *SERJ* is a virtual organization, and it operates on the basis of voluntary work by all board members and editors.

## 2. EDITOR EXPECTED QUALIFICATIONS AND ROLES

The Editor is responsible for overall management of all journal operations. They manage peer-review and editorial processes, determine the composition of the Editorial Board and the reviewer pool, and initiate and conduct communication with prospective authors, reviewers, associate editors, and external stakeholders. The Editor is expected to set scholarly and quality expectations and uphold acceptance criteria regarding manuscripts. The Editor should have a forward-looking vision and initiate new features and structures, if needed, in consultation with the *SERJ* Advisory Board members and others, to enable *SERJ* to respond to the evolving knowledge needs in the dynamic area of statistics education and to raise the scientific impact of the journal in relevant scientific databases and indexes. Overall, the Editor should lead the journal to make an important contribution to research and practice in statistics education. To best achieve this, the Editor should have strengths in relevant research areas and prior editorial experience and should possess the skills necessary to work with prospective contributors in a supportive yet critical spirit.

## 3. PROCESS

Review of nominations will begin after 1 November 2021, but nominations should be submitted as soon as possible. IASE encourages both nominations of suitable candidates and self-nominations from interested individuals. All nominations and self-nominations will be considered by the Search Committee of the SERJ Advisory Board, which can also propose additional nominees. If you are interested in nominating for this position, please prepare an application including a CV and a personal statement addressing your previous editorial experience, vision for and potential contribution to SERJ, and plan for managing the workload. Also, please supply a reference from one other person supporting your application. Candidates might also be asked to respond to additional questions from the Search Committee.

Complete documentation for a nomination needs to be sent to **Jane Watson (Chair of the SERJ Advisory Board, <u>Jane.Watson@utas.edu.au</u>) by 1st November 2021. If you would like to nominate a colleague, please send the relevant information, as noted above, to the Chair of the SERJ Advisory Board. Questions about the practicalities of the editorship can also be sent to the departing Editor, Jennifer Kaplan <u>Jennifer.Kaplan@mtsu.edu</u>.**