

Work, Employment and Society Call for Editors

The BSA and WES invite applications to join the Editorial Team. WES is a highly respected journal with an international profile. It is strongly grounded in the sociological tradition, drawing upon adjacent disciplines to make an original contribution to debates in the sociology of work and employment. It receives approximately 600 submissions a year, has an Impact Factor of 2.364 and is ranked 4 in the Chartered Association of Business Schools Academic Journal Guide.

The appointed Editors will join the current editorial team in the day to day editorial work and developing the intellectual agenda and internationalism of the journal. The Editorial Team works in a highly collaborative way requiring monthly online and face-to-face meetings to discuss the workings of the journal.

Editorial responsibilities include the following:

- Making editorial decisions on submissions and choosing peer review process
- Working closely with the current Editorial team to develop the journal
- Working with the Editorial, Associate and International Advisory Boards
- Reporting to and attending the biannual Editorial Board meetings
- Contributing to the journal's international and social media strategies
- Working with the BSA and SAGE to publicise journal content and activities
- Understanding current and future trends in the journals' fields
- Representing WES at relevant events and conferences
- Representing WES within the BSA

New editors will be integrated into the existing team through mentoring activities and peer support with another member of the Editorial Team. They will attend Editorial Board meetings and monthly team meetings. Methods of facilitating electronic communication and team participation are being explored and applicant experience of team work at distance is welcomed.

Editor Applications

We are looking for scholars who demonstrate an understanding of WES, offering a range of methodological and sociological expertise matching the WES remit, and who are keen to work closely with a team of colleagues to advance the journal.

Essential

- Demonstrable experience of research and writing within the sociological field, particularly the sociological approach to issues of work and employment; experience in the field of sociology of work and employment
- Published in WES or other peer reviewed journals of similar standing
- Experience of reviewing for journals of similar standing and subject



- Ability and willingness to devote between one half to one full day per week reviewing papers and to support good journal response times
- Ability and willingness to work in a highly collaborative team and contribute to monthly team discussions (attend at least 2 team meetings in person)
- Ability to communicate constructively in exercising editorial judgments
- Interest in developing good collaborative relationships within the WES editorial boards and community and the BSA office staff and Trustees
- Interest in contributing to the development of the journal in a changing publishing environment, particularly in relation to Open Access

Desirable

- Previous experience of journal editing
- Previous experience on a WES Board
- Previous interaction with the BSA

Applicants should be in good scholarly standing, though not necessarily high academic rank. WES welcomes scholars at a variety of career stages. All Editors are members of the BSA and successful applicants will be BSA members throughout their editorial term.

Applications should include a statement of interest and suitability for the role as well as a 2-page CV highlighting relevant editorial experience, qualities and academic standing, and details of methodological and sociological/disciplinary expertise.

Deadline for applications: 3 June 2020 Online interviews: week of 22 June 2020 Start of role: August/September 2020

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