



Be the Next Editor of the Journal of Public Interest Communications!

The [Journal of Public Interest Communications](https://journals.flvc.org/jpic/about) is seeking a **team of three people** to edit the publication and take it to new heights.

The Journal, which launched in 2017, is an open-access, interdisciplinary journal that publishes peer-reviewed research in the emerging field of public interest communications. The Journal does not require a fee for publication and is free for readers. It welcomes submissions from all disciplines.

Our [inaugural](#) editor-in-chief, Dr. Brigitta Brunner of Auburn University, and current managing editor, Dr. Joseph Radice of the University of Florida, have done a huge amount to move the Journal forward and grow the field of public interest communications. We are deeply grateful for all their work. They are rotating off the publication, so we're looking for people to step in and continue to grow the journal and the field. In addition, our phenomenal Journal supervisor, Dr. Linda Childers Hon, is retiring.

How to apply

Position descriptions are below. To apply, please submit: 1) your CV; 2) a letter of interest; and 3) documentation of support from your institution (an email or a letter). Please send it by Aug. 15, 2022, to Angela Bradbery, Frank Karel Endowed Chair in Public Interest Communications, abradbery@jou.ufl.edu. Please write "Journal application" in the subject line.

The College of Journalism and Communications at the University of Florida supports the executive editor with an annual stipend of \$2,500, and the managing editor is funded for nine hours a week at \$33 an hour. Those applying for the Journal supervisor position are expected to document support (e.g., compensation and/or release time) from their institution.

More information about the Journal is available at <https://journals.flvc.org/jpic/about>.

Position Descriptions

Journal Supervisor

- Serves as liaison among publisher (sponsoring institution), publishing platform (e.g., Public Knowledge Project <https://pkp.sfu.ca/>) and sponsoring institution's online journal staff (e.g., <https://guides.uflib.ufl.edu/floridaoj>)
- Provides annual JPIC report to sponsoring institution
- Promotes JPIC at academic and professional conferences and engages in outreach to potential contributors

- Works with executive editor and managing editor to provide oversight for all steps of the article submission (screening), peer review (manuscript acceptance and rejection decisions) and publication process (editing)
- Supervises payroll for executive editor stipend and managing editor salary
- Reviews and provides final editorial approval for all articles and other journal content prior to publication

Executive Editor

- Promotes JPIC at academic and professional conferences and engages in outreach to potential contributors
- Facilitates opportunities for collaboration (e.g., conference sessions, special themed issues) with other internal and external stakeholders (e.g., relevant centers and institutes)
- Represents JPIC for academic and professional speaking/panel sessions relevant to JPIC's mission
- Invites and appoints editorial board members
- Maintains communication with and stewardship of editorial board members
- Assesses annual performance of editorial board members (i.e., number of manuscripts assigned and completed on time)
- Replaces editorial board members as appropriate
- Works with managing editor to select and assign appropriate editorial board members to review manuscripts
- Works with supervisor and managing editor to provide oversight for all steps of the article submission (screening), peer review (manuscript acceptance and rejection decisions), and publication process (editing)
- Provides editor's essay for each issue

Managing Editor

- Works with executive editor to select and assign appropriate editorial board members to review manuscripts
- Works with supervisor and executive editor to implement all steps of the article submission (screening), peer review (manuscript acceptance and rejection decisions), and publication process (editing, formatting, uploading)
- Handles communication with contributors during all steps of the review and publication process
- Responsible for ensuring manuscripts conform to APA style guidelines
- Responsible for maintaining the JPIC website and coordinating updates/changes with sponsoring institution's online journal staff
- Works with executive editor to maintain database of editorial board members (i.e., expertise in topic areas and methodologies)
- As needed, provides data (e.g., submission and acceptance rates) to supervisor and executive editor
- Works with supervisor and executive editor to increase reach of JPIC in appropriate citation indexes