



### Call for Editor(s) --- *PS: Political Science & Politics*

The American Political Science Association (APSA) invites applications and nominations for editorship of *PS: Political Science & Politics* to begin a term on September 1, 2022. For over 50 years, *PS* has been at the center of the American Political Science Association's publications. The journal currently receives approximately 230 submissions per year from all areas of political science, teaching, and the profession.

Over time, *PS* has evolved to meet the changing needs of the discipline. From its start in 1968 as the newsletter of the association, the most recent version of *PS* features timely, peer-reviewed articles on contemporary politics written for the informed, general reader and commentary and debate on major issues in the political science profession. Incorporated into *PS* is "The Teacher," a dedicated forum for teaching providing resources for college faculty, high school teachers, and students. As a result of the launch of the new magazine [Political Science Today](#), the pages used previously for "The Association" news section of the journal are now available for peer-reviewed articles. We welcome proposals that chart a new course for *PS* in the 2020s and articulate a vision of how *PS* might address pressing disciplinary issues such as diversity and inclusion, teaching and navigating careers in a context of political polarization, or unmet needs in terms of research outlets.

The selected individual will:

- Take a leading role in introducing new innovations in format and content in the journal.
- Create a comprehensive strategy for the journal to ensure diversity and inclusion in the authorship, methods and subfields represented.
- Review the process in place for symposia on special topics and the role of guest editors.
- Develop a plan to increase submissions and publications over their term.

Please include the following in your proposal:

1. Vision for the future of the journal under your editorship including planned innovations, expansion, and strategies for challenges. APSA is currently considering other innovations in the publishing space such as preprint repositories, active citation/annotation, data repositories and Open Access.
2. Your plan to grow the quantity of high-quality articles published in the journal, along with the possibility to increase the number of articles published/page budget.
3. Vision for a comprehensive strategy for the journal to ensure a diverse and inclusive approach to submissions, authorship, methods, and subfield representation. Include specific examples from your prior experience advancing diversity, equity, and inclusion, if applicable.

4. Proposed editorial process and how you would conduct peer review.
5. CV and an outline of previous journal or editing experience in political science.
6. Cover letter specifying how you meet the criteria set out in this call.

We are open to applications from individuals or teams based at universities or those who might be considering a part-time or full-time staff position at APSA. If you have any questions about which role to apply for, please contact Jon Gurstelle, APSA Publishing Director at [jgurstelle@apsanet.org](mailto:jgurstelle@apsanet.org).

APSA provides the following support for the editor and Journal:

- Editorial Manager manuscript submission and peer review system
- Copyediting and electronic production services
- Hosting an editorial board meeting every year at the APSA Annual Meeting or virtually
- A dedicated Managing Editor
- Reporting on bibliometrics (citations, downloads, Altmetric, etc.) to inform decision-making
- For those applying who are employed as faculty at a college or university: financial support to be used to cover such costs as course buyouts, graduate student support, travel expenses and/or honorariums.

The editorship is a four-year term beginning on September 1, 2022 with the possibility of a two-year renewal with the approval of the APSA Council. A Search Committee has been formed to help select the editor, who will then be submitted for APSA Council approval, and the selected applicant(s) will be contacted shortly thereafter. We welcome applications from all interested parties and nominations of qualified candidates. Please direct any questions or nominations to Jon Gurstelle, APSA Publishing Director at [jgurstelle@apsanet.org](mailto:jgurstelle@apsanet.org) or Rebecca Deen, Search Committee Chair at [deen@uta.edu](mailto:deen@uta.edu). Applications should be submitted to Jon Gurstelle at [jgurstelle@apsanet.org](mailto:jgurstelle@apsanet.org). The deadline for applications is July 1, 2021. The position will remain open until filled.

The *PS* Editor Search Committee:

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