



## **CALL FOR EDITOR: *SOCIOLOGICAL INQUIRY***

The Council of Alpha Kappa Delta (AKD), the International Honor Society for Sociology, invites applications for the position of Editor or Co-editors of *Sociological Inquiry*. Editors are appointed for a four year term and are not eligible to serve consecutive terms. The next term begins September 1, 2018 and the editorial work begins January 1, 2019.

Over the past several years *Sociological Inquiry* has grown in readership and prestige. AKD seeks an editor(s) who has the qualifications and support to continue these positive trends.

**Qualifications:** candidates must hold a Ph.D. in sociology and a tenured position or equivalent at an academic or non-academic institution.

**Responsibilities:** The current editor's responsibilities end with the last issue of 2018 (88:4). The new editor(s) begins with the first issue of 2019 (89:1). The editor(s) will supervise the work of an editorial assistant and work with members of the Editorial Board of *Sociological Inquiry*. Editors attend the annual AKD Council meeting and serve as voting members of both the AKD Council and the Executive Committee. The Editorial Board meets annually in conjunction with the AKD Council meeting and the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association. Editors must be dues-paying members of AKD. At the present time dues are \$40 per year.

**Facilities and Resources:** The editor should have a dedicated editorial office. The office should be equipped with up-to-date computer equipment and a second computer if the editor hires an editorial assistant. The AKD Council encourages appointment of students to positions of responsibility in the editorial office. The objective is to enhance educational and professional development, as well as to operate the editorial office. Some editors have made graduate students their editorial assistants. AKD provides support for 200 hours of editorial assistance per fiscal year. AKD can reimburse modest office expenses. Sponsoring institutions must cover other costs.

**Compensation:** AKD provides the Editor with a modest stipend, a budget line to hire a part-time managing Editor, and a budget line for office expenses. AKD also provides funds for travel reimbursement including expenses incurred to attend the AKD Council meeting.

**Application:** Applications should include the following information in no more than six pages (excluding curriculum vita):

**Vision Statement:** Set forth your goals and plans for the content of the journal. This may include an assessment of the current strengths, weaknesses, or gaps that you plan to address and how you will implement your plan.

Provide evidence of understanding the mission of the journal and its operation, indicated by experience with the journal across any of a wide variety of activities (e.g., publication, reviewing, editorial board experience).

**Editor/Co-Editor Background Information:** In addition to a CV, provide the name, affiliation, and other important information about the potential editor and, if applicable, co-editors.

Describe the qualifications of each person that support her/his inclusion. The candidate(s) should have an established record of scholarship, openness to the different methods, theories, and approaches to sociology, and a record of responsible service to scholarly publishing and evidence of organizational skill and intellectual leadership. Evidence of the ability and experience of the editor and editorial team to provide sound judgment and guidance to potential authors is central to the application.

Provide a clear description of, and justification for, the structure of the editorial office and responsibilities, as you envision them at this point. *Name only those individuals who will serve as editor/co-editor. Please do not include names of individuals that you would like/plan to include on the larger editorial board.*

**Institutional Support:** It is important for candidates to consider and address the feasibility of serving as editor in light of the resources AKD can provide, and other resources likely to be available to the candidate. AKD does not pay for office space, teaching release, or tuition, but does provide financial support for office resources as necessary. This support may include funds for editorial assistance, office supplies, postage, and telephone beyond what will be provided by the editor's home institution. *Alternative models of funding may be possible as long as the impact on the overall cost for AKD support is minimal* (e.g., institutional support for the managing editor or editorial assistant position could allow for use of the AKD budgeted funds for course release or tuition). In addition to the staff determined necessary for the work involved in processing and reviewing manuscripts (including copyediting), incoming editors have the opportunity to request additional funding or staff support for special initiatives or extra features (although most do not choose to do so).

**Deadline:** Submit all materials in a single email to Bethany Titus, Executive Director at: [AKD@lemoyne.edu](mailto:AKD@lemoyne.edu) no later than October 1, 2017

**Selection Process:** Long-list applicants may be invited to make a virtual presentation at a mutually convenient time with the search committee in August or September.

The final decision will be made early in 2018.

Members of the search committee will be available at ASA in Montreal to discuss the position. You may also contact Professor Peter Wood, the current Editor, for additional information. He can be reached at [peter.wood@emich.edu](mailto:peter.wood@emich.edu). Administrative questions may be directed to the executive office at [AKD@lemoyne.edu](mailto:AKD@lemoyne.edu).

AKD welcomes applications from all qualified individuals without regard to race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, marital status or status as a covered veteran in accordance with applicable state and local laws governing nondiscrimination in employment.