

## ***Journal of the Society for Social Work and Research***

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### ***Early Career Reviewer Program: Request for Applications***

Deadline: October 15, 2021

#### **Overview**

The *Journal of the Society for Social Work and Research* (JSSWR) Early Career Reviewer Program provides an opportunity for scholars early in their academic careers to work with senior mentors who have extensive publishing and editorial experience. The program provides mentored experiences in the review of up to three manuscripts per year over a 2-year period. Both the Early Career Reviewer (ECR) and their mentor will be recognized at the annual SSWR conference and in the journal's annual acknowledgement of service.

#### **Eligibility Criteria**

Individuals in postdoctoral appointments and appointed faculty members within 3 years of graduation are eligible to apply. All applicants must have a doctoral degree in social work or a related discipline. Applicants should select a mentor in advance of the application process and submit the mentor's name and credentials, along with a letter of interest. Mentors must have experience reviewing manuscripts and publication records that demonstrate knowledge of journal publication practices. All ECRs (and their mentors) must maintain a membership in the Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR).

#### **Expectations**

ECRs and mentors will, together, review up to three manuscripts per year over a 2-year period. Terms will begin on November 15, 2021. Completed reviews are to be submitted to the journal using the Editorial Manager system. An introductory meeting and Q & A session will be scheduled prior to the first reviewer assignments.

#### **Application**

ECR applicants should include the following information in their submission materials:

1. Applicant's name, position, academic rank, and CV
2. A brief letter communicating the applicant's interest in the ECR program

3. Mentor's name, position, academic rank, CV, and statement agreeing to co-review up to three manuscripts per year for 2 years

### **Selection Process**

Applications will be reviewed by the *JSSWR* Editor-in-Chief and members of the *JSSWR* editorial board. Applicants will be notified by e-mail of the results of the selection by October 31, 2021.

### **Application Material Preparation Instructions**

Please prepare your application materials as follows.

- PDF No. 1: include applicant's name, position, academic rank, mentor's name, and a brief statement that illustrates the applicant's interest in becoming a *JSSWR* Early Career Reviewer  
File name: JSSWRECRapp\_\_ [applicant last name.applicant first name initial]
- PDF No. 2: applicant's CV  
File name: JSSWRECR\_CV\_\_ [applicant last name.applicant first name initial]
- PDF No. 3: include mentor's name, position, academic rank, and a statement of commitment to co-review up to three manuscripts per year  
File name: JSSWRECR.mentor\_\_ [mentor last name.mentor first name initial]
- PDF No. 4: mentor's CV  
File name: JSSWRECR.mentor\_CV\_\_ [applicant last name.applicant first name initial]

All application materials must be submitted electronically in ONE e-mail to *JSSWR* Editorial Assistant Andrea Mora (asmora@umich.edu) with "Application for Early Career Reviewer Program, [last name]" in the subject line.

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- Terms begin November 15, 2021.
- ECRs and mentors will be recognized at the annual SSWR conference and in the journal's annual acknowledgement of service.
- *JSSWR* will publish ECR and mentor names in the Spring 2022 issue.