



News/Announcements

Call for Applicants for *EBLIP* Journal: Associate Editor and Communications Officer

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Evidence Based Library and Information Practice (EBLIP), a peer reviewed open access journal published since 2006, is expanding and restructuring. The journal seeks to fill two positions to complete our Editorial Team. The first position is that of **Associate Editor for the Classics and Reviews sections**. The second position is that of **Communications Officer**. Candidates will be expected to be able to begin their roles by October 2016 and serve a 3 year term (with possibility of renewal).

The **Associate Editor (Classics and Reviews)** will be responsible for:

- Overseeing the complete editorial process for items submitted to the Classics and Reviews sections (this includes assignment of peer reviewers, monitoring the peer review process, communicating with authors and peer reviewers, making acceptance decisions, ensuring required changes to manuscripts are made, communicating with copyeditors and the production editor to ensure the final copy is as expected).
- Identifying classic studies to be summarized, and soliciting writers.
- Communicating and consulting with the Editor-in-Chief on a regular basis.

- Attending Editorial Team meetings, via Skype, on a monthly basis and participating in the overall governance of the journal.
- Ensuring that all necessary deadlines are met.
- Communicating with potential authors and responding to queries.

Contributions to the *EBLIP* Classics section follow a structured format designed to highlight, summarize and critically appraise research studies that have stood the test of time and that have had (and continue to have) an impact on library and information practice. Previous "Classics" have included the work of William Postell, Constance Mellon, Carol Kuhlthau, Joanne Marshall, and Robert Taylor. For an example of a Classic, see <http://ejournals.library.ualberta.ca/index.php/EBLIP/article/view/1760/3331>

Review articles provide a way for librarians to obtain an overview of the evidence on a particular topic, and stay current with the literature. Reviews may take on several different forms, including an overview, systematic review, meta-analysis, literature review, state-of-the-art review, or umbrella review, among others.

For more information about the Classics, Reviews, and other types of submissions

accepted by EBLIP see:

<https://ejournals.library.ualberta.ca/index.php/EBLIP/about/submissions#authorGuidelines>

The ideal candidate for Associate Editor (Classics and Reviews) will be well-versed in evidence based practice and research methods. This position requires dedicated time on a regular basis, and it is therefore essential that interested persons ensure available time to devote to this position prior to applying. It is estimated that the workload is approximately 8-10 hours per month.

The **Communications Officer**, a new position on the Editorial Team, will be responsible for:

- Developing and implementing a communications plan for the journal.
- Developing, designing, writing, and editing material to promote the journal, as requested by the Editor-in-Chief. This can include email messages to mail lists such as calls for applicants, posting on social media, updating the announcements section of the EBLIP journal, and PowerPoint presentation for conferences.
- Communicating and consulting with the Editor-in-Chief on a regular basis.
- Attending Editorial Team meetings, via Skype, on a monthly basis.
- Ensuring that all necessary deadlines are met.

The ideal candidate for Communications Officer will have demonstrable skills and knowledge in areas of communications, preferably in the scholarly/academic realm. Excellent written communication skills in English are required. Experience with

developing and executing communication plans, and an interest in evidence-based librarianship and open access are considered assets. This position requires dedicated time on a regular basis, and it is therefore essential that interested persons ensure available time to devote to this position prior to applying. It is estimated that the workload is approximately 5-10 hours per month.

Interested persons should send a statement of interest, indicating the post of interest, cover letter, as well as a resume/cv to Lorie Kloda, Editor-in-Chief, at lorie.kloda@concordia.ca by August 1, 2016.

****Please note that *Evidence Based Library and Information Practice* is a non-profit, open access journal and all positions are voluntary and unpaid.**

About the journal:

Published quarterly, and hosted by the University of Alberta, this peer-reviewed, open access journal is targeted at all library and information professionals interested in an evidence based model of practice. By facilitating access to librarianship research via original research articles and evidence summaries of relevant research from the library literature, *Evidence Based Library and Information Practice* will enable librarians to practice their profession in an evidence based manner.

Please visit the *Evidence Based Library and Information Practice* website (<http://ejournals.library.ualberta.ca/index.php/EBLIP>) for further information about the journal.