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Call For Submissions

Editorship of the *American Political Science Review*

APSA invites proposals for an editor or group of editors to lead *APSR* for a four-year term beginning in June 2020. We seek editor(s) with a commitment to publishing articles that represent the methodological and subfield diversity of the discipline while maintaining the leading role of the journal in publishing cutting-edge empirical and theoretical research in political science. In order to make the application feasible for scholars from a wide range of institutions, we are considering the possibility of a dedicated managing editor based at APSA headquarters.

We welcome applications from all interested parties and nominations of qualified candidates. We are open to proposals that include innovative individual and institutional collaborations, including diverse teams at a single institution or multiple institutions. Please direct any questions or nominations to Jon Gurstelle, APSA Publishing Director at jgurstelle@apsanet.org or Steven Rathgeb Smith, APSA Executive Director at smithsr@apsanet.org. Applications are due by October 31, 2018 and should be submitted to jgurstelle@apsanet.org.

APSA Presidential Task Force on New Partnerships

APSA President-Elect Rogers Smith has appointed a Task Force on New Partnerships, chaired by Robert Lieberman of Johns Hopkins University, to propose new initiatives in the areas of research, teaching, and civic engagement. The task force seeks your input as it develops proposals to be implemented, with Council approval, during the 2018–19 academic year.

Higher education in America today is embattled on many fronts, and the discipline of political science is often singled out for criticism. The roots of these challenges are deep and broad and cannot be addressed by APSA alone. The Task Force on New Partnerships, with members drawn from a variety of higher education institutions across the country, seeks to identify ways APSA can form, stimulate, and aid new partnerships—nationally, regionally, and locally—that can strengthen the contributions of our profession to public discourse and make them more visible. It particularly seeks to enhance APSA aid to scholars at non-R1 institutions. The Task Force has located substantial funding to enable APSA to institutionalize desirable initiatives.

These initiatives might include APSA support for national, regional, and local research on public issues collaboratively prepared by scholars of different political perspectives, showing that many vital facts can be agreed upon, even if policy differences remain; APSA efforts to promote the sharing of teaching expertise between scholars at different institutions, with R1 political scientists conveying the newest developments in their fields, and community college scholars providing insights into teaching first generation students; and APSA recognition for many forms of civic engagement that can help scholars persuade their institutions of the value of this work.

And they might include better ideas from you! Please communicate suggestions to Task Force members, to APSA staff, and to President-Elect Smith. All suggestions may be sent to this email address: partnershipstaskforce@apsanet.org.