

the job database. The 2000 E-Jobs search engine has been enhanced to allow registrants to search by eight general categories and to do a simple keyword search. If an employer is seeking a candidate with training in a specific subfield they will now have the opportunity to search across over 90 different identified areas of expertise. Also new for 2000 will be the ability to sort items in the database by date of submission, thereby identifying the jobs or candidates that have been added most recently.

### Onsite in Washington

During the Annual Meeting, a limited number of computer terminals will be available in the onsite Placement area for both candidates and employers to search the E-Jobs database. Job listings may be accepted from employers onsite if they are submitted in person with a 3.5" IBM disk containing all relevant information. **All CANDIDATES MUST PREREGISTER for the meeting online before arriving in Washington.**

For the first time, APSA will provide no binders containing job or candidate information at the meeting. Candidates and employers are highly encouraged to consult the E-Jobs database in preparation for arrival in Washington.

To help facilitate communication between candidates and employers, the Placement Service will introduce an electronic messaging service that will operate as part of the general message service for the meeting. Placement participants may communicate with each other by using this system. Several messaging computers will be available in the Placement area and will be accessible from the other two meeting hotels. Only registered Annual Meeting attendees will be listed on the message service. All placement participants must be registered for the Annual Meeting.

We anticipate the 2000 E-Jobs service will be a great success. In 1999 candidates and employers enthusiastically embraced the new system. A record 944 job seekers registered online and nearly 100

employers submitted jobs online, allowing candidates to review nearly 150 job openings throughout the summer of 1999.

If you have any questions regarding E-Jobs, you can visit the online site at [www.apsanet.org/jobsplc/](http://www.apsanet.org/jobsplc/) placement or you can email placement coordinator Joyce Williams at [placement@apsanet.org](mailto:placement@apsanet.org).

### APSA to Launch Resume Database

APSA members in search of employment will have a new tool to assist them this fall, the APSA Resume Database. Job seekers will be able to submit their resumes to an online database for review by potential employers. The system builds upon the job candidate portion of the online Placement Service, E-Jobs.

Users will complete a brief submission form that seeks details on their education, research interests, primary fields of study, and areas of specialization. Additionally, users will also be able upload a copy of their resume/curriculum vitae or provide a link to an online version.

Employers who are members of the APSA's Departmental Services Program will have access to the database. Employers will be able to search on any of the categories listed above or they can do a simple keyword search.

Users of the Resume Database will be provided a unique username and password that will allow them access to their information. Users may update their listing at any time once they have logged on.

For more information about the upcoming service, visit APSAnet at <http://www.apsanet.org>.

### APSA to Offer Improved PSNonline

Subscribers to the *Personnel Service Newsletter* and *PSNonline* will find a newly enhanced system in place when they log on in mid-June. To better assist subscribers in locating the jobs that interest them, APSA has developed a more user-friendly interface and improved the site's search engine.

The greatest benefit of the new system will be the flexibility in searching. Subscribers will now be able to sort jobs by geographical preference, as well as position title, starting date, primary field, subfield(s), and institution type. When searching subfields, users may select from over 90 categories, ranging from international political economy to political parties and organizations. Other new features of *PSNonline* include a quick link to all jobs submitted in the previous 48 hours, keyword or key phrase searching across the job database, and a special section for positions in an applied setting, such as think tanks and government agencies.

APSA is also working to simplify the job submission process. Employers will soon be able to use a single web-based form to submit job listings for both the *Personnel Service Newsletter* and the Annual Meeting Placement Service. Once the new forms are available, all employers will be required to submit job listings for *PSN* via the online system. APSA will no longer accept listings emailed or faxed to the national office.

Access to the *Newsletter* will remain subscription-based and subscribers must be APSA members. Subscriptions are available for \$40 (print copy and online access) and \$20 (online access only).