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Subject: Freshwater Science journal seeks Editor

The Society for Freshwater Science, in partnership with the University of Chicago Press, is seeking nominations and applications for the position of Editor of Freshwater Science. First published in 1982 as Freshwater Invertebrate Biology, Freshwater Science (Impact Factor = 2.197) publishes articles that advance understanding and environmental stewardship of all types of inland aquatic ecosystems, and ecosystems at the interface between aquatic and terrestrial habitats. The new Editor will begin to receive submissions on April 1, 2018, and will work with the outgoing editor until assuming full responsibility for the Journal on June 1, 2018. The Editor will serve a three-year, renewable term (June 2018 through May 2021).

Essential Duties and Responsibilities

The Editor of Freshwater Science is the chief architect of the content of the Journal. As Editor, principal duties include day-to-day activities associated with publishing 4 issues of the Journal per year, including: responding to all queries to the Journal, recruiting Associate Editors and managing their assignments, maintaining the Journal's editorial guidelines, soliciting input and making decisions on special series and other targeted submissions, guiding authors through final manuscript revisions, supervising technical/copy editing staff, maintaining several databases related to Journal content and activities, interacting with the Journal's publisher (University of Chicago Press) to provide them with publication-ready content, preparing the agenda and managing an annual Editorial Board Meeting, and preparing annual reports to the Board of Directors for the Society of Freshwater Science. The editorial office is currently staffed by the Editor, Editorial Assistant, and Business Manager, all at partial FTEs, who report to the Board of Directors of the Society through its Publications Committee. We are open to alternative organizational structures, including team approaches, to distribute the work of the editorial office. Salary for this position is negotiable.

Required Qualifications

- A Ph.D. in a relevant freshwater science discipline
- An extensive research publication record
- Knowledge of and appreciation for the breadth and depth of freshwater science
- Prior editorial experience in a decision-making capacity
- Prior management or leadership experience
- Outstanding communication skills, including writing, speaking, and listening
- Ability to work collaboratively with diverse points of view and approaches
- Ethical and robust personal and scientific standards

Application Process

Applications should include a letter of intent, curriculum vitae, and names/contact information for three professional references. The letter of intent should discuss the applicant's vision for the journal, her/his qualifications and experiences relevant to the position of Editor, and proposed plans for structuring the editorial office. Applications, inquiries, and nominations for possible candidates should be sent via e-mail to Michelle Baker (michelle.baker@usu.edu), search committee chair, no later than February 18, 2018.