Call for Editor-in-Chief of the *Journal of Integrated Pest Management*

The Entomological Society of America is seeking candidates to serve in the position of editor-in-chief of the *Journal of Integrated Pest Management* (JIPM). The selected candidate would begin his or her term in January 2019.

JIPM is an open access, peer-reviewed, extension journal covering the field of integrated pest management. The journal is multi-disciplinary in scope, publishing articles in all pest management disciplines, including entomology, nematology, plant pathology, weed science, and other subject areas.

The objective of JIPM is to target a non-technical audience with original, high-quality articles supported with published references. The intended readership for JIPM is anyone engaged in any aspect of integrated pest management, including, but not limited to, farmers and ranchers, consultants, extension professionals, retailers, manufacturers and suppliers of pest management products, educators, foresters, animal and human health professionals, and pest control operators. The journal does not publish articles based on original, unpublished research.

The journal received 45 submissions in 2017, 23 in 2016, and 35 in 2015. JIPM papers historically have been among the most downloaded papers in the ESA portfolio.

The JIPM Editorial Board will welcome joint co-editor-in-chief applications as well as individual applications for the role of editor-in-chief. Joint and individual applications will be assessed equally.

**General Qualifications**

The ideal candidate(s) should be an internationally recognized scientist whose reputation brings prestige and visibility to the journal. He or she should have significant experience in the writing, editing, and reviewing of scientific research or extension-focused manuscripts. A comprehensive background and broad experience are essential, especially experience involving extension or outreach work.

The editor(s) should be able to devote the time and energy necessary to ensure that published articles are of the highest quality and interest to JIPM’s readers and to advance the quality and reputation of the journal.

**Responsibilities**

- Work with ESA staff and ESA’s publishers at Oxford University Press to develop and implement the journal’s overarching vision and strategy.
- Provide scientific leadership for the journal, working to ensure that articles published are of the highest quality and scientific interest, and that the peer review process proceeds smoothly.
- Direct manuscripts to appropriate subject editors, who oversee manuscript reviews of standard research articles.
- Personally assign reviewers to and make accept/reject decisions on manuscripts when needed.
- Recommend candidates for subject editor positions to the JIPM Editorial Board.
- Participate, along with the JIPM Editorial Board, in decisions on authors’ appeals of subject editors’ decisions.
- In cases of potential author misconduct, conduct initial investigations and, if necessary, serve on author misconduct panels per [ESA’s Author Misconduct Policy](#).
- Act as a spokesperson for the journal, encouraging and inviting submissions, promoting the journal, and advocating its objective.
- Attend and participate in annual in-person meeting of JIPM Editorial Board.
- Serve as a member of the ESA Publications Council.

The editor(s)-in-chief will receive an annual honorarium and will be reimbursed for expenses, including travel to the ESA Annual Meeting. Appointment is for a term of five years. The JIPM Editorial Board will review all applications and forward a recommendation to the ESA Governing Board for approval.

**The deadline for applications is 5:00 p.m. EST (UTC-5:00) on Feb. 23, 2017.** Interested candidates should submit the following to the JIPM Editorial Board via pubs@entsoc.org: cover letter describing their qualifications for the position and vision and goals for JIPM; curriculum vitae; three letters of recommendation; and reprints of two published articles that best represent the candidate’s work.

In the case of joint applications for co-editor-in-chief roles, the applicants should submit a single cover letter and can choose to submit joint letters of recommendation or individual ones, along with separate CVs and published articles from each applicant.

Candidates will be evaluated on a number of criteria, including but not limited to their: communication abilities; writing, editing, and reviewing experience; IPM background and experience; commitment to devoting time and energy to the journal; and reputation and network in the field.

If you have questions regarding the editor-in-chief position or application process, please contact ESA Manager of Publications Josh Lancette at jlancette@entsoc.org.