



## ANNOUNCEMENT OF OPEN POSITION

**Position:** Editor of the *Journal of Public Deliberation*

**Type:** Volunteer

**Commencement Date:** September 15, 2013

**Background:**

The Deliberative Democracy Consortium (DDC) and the International Association for Public Participation (IAP2), who work in partnership to jointly support the *Journal of Public Deliberation* (*JPD*), are beginning a search to find the next editor for the journal. This peer-reviewed, interdisciplinary publication appeals to practitioners, academics and emerging professionals interested in the public participation around the world. *JPD* is the leading journal in the rapidly growing field of deliberative public participation.

After three successful years as editors of *JPD*, Tim Steffensmeier and David Procter of the Institute for Civic Discourse and Democracy at Kansas State University would like to move on to other challenges and opportunities. During their tenure, article downloads and submissions have more than doubled – downloads have in fact grown from 11,816 to 16,787. Steffensmeier and Procter moved from an annual publication schedule to two issues per year and they transitioned the journal to a new online platform at Berkeley Electronic Press that has a number of new capabilities and makes *JPD* articles easier to find through online searches.

**Applications:**

IAP2 and DDC invite expressions of interest in continuing this journal. Those interested in assuming the editorship of *JPD* are encouraged to contact via email:

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Applications are due by **August 15<sup>th</sup> 2013**

## Application:

In our search for a new editor, we have developed a number of questions for prospective applicants. We ask that you briefly respond to these questions and attach a CV and any sample articles or other pieces of work.

Name:
Organization:
Address:
Telephone:
Email:
Skype:
Questions:
1. What draws you to <i>JPD</i> ?
2. What do you think are the main strengths of the journal?
3. What are your priorities for the journal (how might you improve the content, editorial process, or other facets?)
4. What kinds of institutional resources (i.e. course release time for the editor, time of research assistants, other financial or in-kind resources) would you commit to the journal?

5. How many years would you be able to commit to the editorship/this partnership?

6. *JPD* has established itself as a leading scholarly journal for deliberation research, and it will continue to function as such. But we are always looking for ways to expand the journal's readership and popularity among practitioners, public officials, funders, and other non-academic readers, such as through selected essays intended specifically for these readers. Does this fit with your aspirations for the journal, and if so, what ideas or plans do you have for moving forward on this priority (e.g., adding different kinds of articles, or partnering with other associations, or using other online tools)?

7. References: please list 3 references.

If you have any questions about this position, please contact Matt Leighninger at [mattleighninger@earthlink.net](mailto:mattleighninger@earthlink.net)

On behalf of the International Association for Public Participation [www.iap2.org](http://www.iap2.org)  
and the Deliberative Democracy Consortium [www.deliberative-democracy.net](http://www.deliberative-democracy.net)  
We thank you for your interest.