The Religion and Politics section of the American Political Science Association invites applications from individuals, pairs, or teams for the editorship of Politics and Religion (P&R) from January 1, 2017, through December 31, 2021. Nominations and self-nominations are encouraged. The section particularly encourages nomination of pairs or teams of editors where each editor represents a different country and a variety of substantive expertise.

Interested applicants for editor should be senior scholars and members in good standing of the Religion and Politics section. Applicants are expected to have records of significant research accomplishment in the subfield of Religion and Politics, intellectual breadth and depth, an entrepreneurial approach to attracting and soliciting quality manuscripts, authors, and reviewers, and excellent administrative, organizational, and interpersonal skills.

Information for Candidates

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The P&R editor reports to the Executive Committee of the Religion and Politics Section of APSA and to the Publishing Editor at Cambridge University Press. The editor will appoint book review editors and journal editorial board members in consultation with the section’s executive committee. The editor is required to provide at least one written report per year on the state of the journal, in addition to frequent informal consultation with the section and CUP. Cambridge University Press provides a stipend to the editor each year to defray some of the administration costs of the journal.

To Apply

Candidates should e-mail a single PDF that includes a full curriculum vita, a letter of intent or proposal that discusses vision and goals for the journal, particularly addressing the challenge of balancing international politics, American politics, comparative politics, and political philosophy in an outlet for Religion and Politics research; experiences directly relevant to the position of editor; plans for management, and organization of the journal’s workflow; and statements of financial support commitments from the host university(ies).

Applications should be sent to Elizabeth Shakman Hurd (eshurd@northwestern.edu), Religion and Politics section chair, and must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. CT on Tuesday, March 15, 2016. All applicants will receive e-mail confirmation.

Nominations and Questions: If you wish to nominate a person to serve as editor, you may contact Elizabeth Shakman Hurd who, in turn, will contact the nominee. If you have questions about the responsibilities of serving as editor of Politics and Religion you are encouraged to contact the chair of the Religion and Politics section committee.