Cambridge University Press is inviting applications for two position of Co-editor of Journal of Child Language.

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Professors Philip Dale and Edith Bavin will be stepping down as editors over the course of 2011. In order to ensure a smooth transition, we are now inviting applications from those interested in taking on the editorship of the journal from any time after 1st January 2011 (exact start date open to negotiation), for an initial term of five years. The new Editor(s) will ‘shadow’ Edith and Philip from autumn 2010 so they might familiarise themselves with the working practices. All submissions are handled using the online peer-review system ScholarOne Manuscripts. The Editors are supported by an experienced Editorial Assistant and a team of six Associate Editors (http://journals.cambridge.org/action/displayMoreInfo?jid=JCL&type=eb). Financial support in the form of an annual stipend will be available from Cambridge University Press.

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- thoughts on the future content and strategic direction of Journal of Child Language, development of the journal’s international profile and aims and scope
- the day to day running of the journal editorial office
- any institutional support available, including financial support and time allowed for journal work
- details of any prior journals experience

The total document should comprise no more than five pages.

Applications (by e-mail) are welcome at any time up until 31st July 2010 and should be submitted to Martine Walsh at Cambridge University Press, e-mail: mwalsh@cambridge.org

Any potential applicants who wish to discuss the role informally with the present editors should contact Professor Edith Bavin (e.bavin@latrobe.edu.au) or Professor Philip Dale (dalep@unm.edu)

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