JOURNAL PROPOSAL FORM: APA Divisions

APA Division submitting proposals to the APA Publications & Communications Board are requested to provide the following information:

I. The Proposed Journal

1. **Suggested title(s):** *[Text]*

2. **An editorial policy/journal scope statement:** [Text]

    a. **Provide a list of research areas**: [Text]

    b. **Enumerate the disciplines covered:** [Text]

3. **An exposition of the proposed content of the journal that would include kinds of articles (e.g., experimental studies, reviews, case studies, brief reports, and/or critical evaluations of policies, procedures, or products):**

    [Text]

    a. **Please provide a list of articles from other journals that most closely represent the scope of articles that would fit into your journal idea:**

[Text: provide a sample list of 10-15 journal articles/book chapters on topics that the new journal aims to cover, **published in the past five years**]

4. **Proposed APA Division(s) affiliation:** [Text]

    a. **Did the relevant APA Division(s) governance body approve this new journal idea?** [Text]

    b. **Approximately how many members are in the Division(s)?** [Text]

5. **Proposed inaugural editor (if any):** [Text]

a. **If an inaugural editor is proposed, please attach the relevant CV.**

II. Background/Marketing Information

1. **An analysis of the need for a journal and the aspirations for the publication vis-à-vis the broad domain of psychology.**

   a. **Provide information about the subject field and its future development.**

      [Text]

   b. **Explain what makes this journal different from other journals in subject area, including the Division's existing journal(s).**

      [Text]

   c. **Describe what kind of empirical research is being conducted on the subject. Where do researchers typically look to find work on this subject?**

      [Text]

   d. **Are there new researchers entering the field (e.g., new or developing research centers in the subject, evidence of an increase in degrees, or an increase in the number of articles with particular keywords)?**

      [Text]

   e. **Would the journal merit including societies outside of the domain of Psychology?**

      i. **Who are they?** [Text]

      ii. **How are they best reached (e.g., events, listservs, professional publications and networks)?** [Text]

      iii. **Would they be interested in content related to Psychology?** [Text]

2. **An analysis of overlap between the proposed journal and existing journals, including those published by the Division and APA. Why do you think there is a space for a new journal in this area?**

[Text]

3. **Marketing and promotion suggestions to reach authors and encourage submissions and to reach potential subscribers.**

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a. Who would subscribe to the journal?

i. Which fields are they in?

[Text]

ii. Which academic departments are they in?

[Text]

b. Is there a practitioner/professional market?

[Text]

c. Which conferences might the potential subscribers attend?

[Text]

d. Which societies might these potential subscribers belong to?

[Text]

III. Compliance with APA Policies and Standards

Agreement that there would be an

1. Assurance that there are no prior encumbrances on the proposed journal ownership or copyright. **[YES/NO]**

2. Endorsement of equal opportunity in selection of all those involved in the editorial process (e.g., editors, consulting editors, and reviewers). **[YES/NO]**

3. Indication of a continuing commitment to a process of open editor selection and periodic succession. **[YES/NO]**

4. Commitment to a process of peer review for articles. **[YES/NO]**

5. A commitment to having the major percentage of the journal devoted to substantive articles (with distinctions being made between such articles and other material for archival purposes). **[YES/NO]**

6. Endorsement of the APA ***Publication Manual*** for manuscript preparation and for policies concerning language, style, and ethics. **[YES/NO]**

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7. Proposal for "instructions to authors" outlining compliance with APA policies (e.g., ethical principles) and including a request that authors comply with APA guidelines for the preparation of abstracts. **[YES/NO]**

8. Gratis use of journal abstracts by PsycINFO. **[YES/NO]**

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