

## Call for Expressions of Interest

### Editor/Editors-in-Chief, International Journal of Behavioral Medicine 2018 – 2023

The International Society of Behavioral Medicine (ISBM) seeks expressions of interest in the position of Editor-in-Chief of IJBM. Responses are welcomed from individuals, or jointly from pairs of prospective editors who plan to share the role.

The role includes

- Day-to-day editorial work, including dealing with submitted manuscripts; working with Guest Editors to conceptualise, develop and produce Special Issues; deciding content for 6 issues per year; and answering inquiries. The journal receives approximately 300 submissions per year.
- Editorial policy and management, including appointment of a broadly representative team of Associate Editors and Editorial Board; reporting to the ISBM Board and Governing Council; liaison with publishers Springer and with staff at Editorial Manager.
- Membership of the ISBM Board and Governing Council (these meet several times each year, in person and/or online).
- Other activities to promote and develop the journal as appropriate.

There is an expectation that the Editor/Editors will commence responsibility for newly submitted manuscripts on a date in 2017 to be mutually determined with the current Editor-in-Chief, Professor Christina Lee. Professor Lee, whose term in the role finishes in December 2017, can be contacted for inquiries on [c.lee@psy.uq.edu.au](mailto:c.lee@psy.uq.edu.au)

Expressions of interest should be sent by email to Professor Lee by 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016. Please include a short CV, with a cover letter outlining your experience with journal editing and related activities; your view of the journal's future development; and (if relevant) how the editorial role would be divided between co-Editors-in-Chief.

#### *Note from the current Editor-in-Chief:*

To date, IJBM has had a single Editor-in-Chief, and we welcome submissions from individuals. However, the role has grown considerably in the past few years. For example, in 2010 the journal received 141 submissions and published 4 issues with a total of 37 papers. In 2015 the journal received 295 submissions and published 6 issues with a total of 86 papers. Similar growth has been experienced by comparable journals.

It is notable that several comparable journals (eg *Psychology and Health*) now have two Editors-in-Chief who share the role: for example, one takes responsibility for all manuscripts submitted in odd-numbered months, and one for even-numbered months. This strategy spreads the workload evenly, allows workload planning over the year, and provides mutual backup and support. Other arrangements are of course possible and I would be pleased to discuss this and other aspects of the role: contact me on [c.lee@psy.uq.edu.au](mailto:c.lee@psy.uq.edu.au)

#### *About the journal:*

The *International Journal of Behavioral Medicine* is a fully peer-reviewed scientific journal published by Springer (see <http://www.springer.com/medicine/journal/12529>). It is the journal of the International Society for Behavioral Medicine, a federation of 26 national and regional scientific societies. These include national Societies of Behavioral Medicine across Europe,

North and South America, and the Asia-Pacific region. It publishes original research and reviews in all aspects of the interactions between sociocultural, psychosocial and behavioral factors on the one hand and biological processes, physical health, and illness on the other. Published six times a year, the journal is in its 23<sup>rd</sup> year of publication and has a current impact factor of 2.210 (H index = 39). It is abstracted/indexed in: Social Science Citation Index, Journal Citation Reports/Social Sciences Edition, PubMed/Medline, SCOPUS, PsycINFO, EMBASE, Google Scholar, EBSCO, CSA, Academic OneFile, Academic Search, CINAHL, CSA Environmental Sciences, Current Contents / Social & Behavioral Sciences, EMCare, ERIH, Expanded Academic, OCLC, PSYCLINE, SCImago, and Summon by ProQuest.

