



Editors Appointed for *Journal of Educational and Behavioral Statistics*

Sandip Sinharay and Matthew Johnson have been appointed to a 3-year term as coeditors of the *Journal of Educational and Behavioral Statistics (JEBS)*. *JEBS* is owned by the American Educational Research Association and sponsored jointly by the American Statistical Association (ASA). The incoming editors will serve for the 2011 to 2013 volume years.

AERA President Carol D. Lee and the ASA Board of Directors made the joint appointment in January, successfully concluding a search process that began in the summer under the auspices of the *JEBS* Management Committee. Sinharay and Johnson will be responsible for leading this journal over the next 3 volume years and continuing the excellent track record of this highly regarded peer-reviewed journal.

JEBS publishes papers that develop original statistical methods applicable to educational or behavioral research. Typical papers present new methods of analysis. In addition, critical reviews of current practice, tutorial presentations of less well known methods, and novel applications of already-known methods may appear. Now published bimonthly (see box), *JEBS* is a premier journal in the field, with its articles read and cited widely. In 2008 *Journal Citation Reports* ranked *JEBS's* scholarly impact as seventh out of 112 education and education research journals; *JEBS* was also ranked eighth out of 37 social science mathematical methods journals and fourth out of 11 mathematical psychology journals.

Editors are selected on the basis of recognized scholarship with background and interests appropriate for *JEBS*. The new editors have extensive experience in researching and publishing in statistics and educational testing, and both are current members of the *JEBS* editorial board.

Sandip Sinharay is Senior Research Scientist at Educational Testing Service (ETS) in the Center for Statistical Theory and Practice, where he has held several positions since 2001. He is a recipient of several awards from

ETS and from the National Council on Measurement in Education and has served on other journal editorial boards, including for the *Journal of Educational Measurement* and *Educational and Psychological Measurement*. He coedited the 2006 *Handbook of Statistics, Volume 26: Psychometrics*, and is editing the statistics section of the upcoming third edition of the *International Encyclopedia of Education*. He has published in numerous statistics and measurement journals, including *JEBS*, *JEM*, *EPM*, *APM*, and *Psychometrika*, and has contributed chapters to numerous books. Sinharay holds an M.Stat. from the Indian Statistical Institute and an M.S. and Ph.D. in statistics from Iowa State University.

Matthew Johnson is Associate Professor of Statistics and Education at Teachers College, Columbia University. Previously he held positions in the Department of Statistics and Computer Information Systems, City University of New York (CUNY), Baruch College, and at ETS. He has received awards



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from ETS and CUNY and has served as an associate editor for *Psychometrika* for over 5 years. He has published numerous journal articles, including in *JEBS*, *APM*, and *Psychometrika*, and several book chapters. He holds a Ph.D. and an M.S. in statistics from Carnegie Mellon University.

The new coeditors will begin to receive manuscripts on July 1 and will become editors of record in January 2011. Sinharay and Johnson will succeed editor David Rindskopf, City University of New York, who will complete his 3-year term of service in 2010. Manuscript submissions should continue to go to <http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/jebstats>.

***JEBS* to Increase to Six Issues per Year Starting in 2010**

With the 2010 volume year, the *Journal of Educational and Behavioral Statistics* will expand its footprint from a quarterly to a bimonthly journal. The frequency change is being implemented along with an increase in published pages. AERA undertook these changes because of substantial increases in its manuscript submission rate in 2008 and in 2009, in order to ensure that *JEBS* can remain the preeminent journal for original statistical methods useful for education and/or behavioral research.

JEBS has been published since 1976 in collaboration with the American Statistical Association (ASA). In 1994 it changed its previous name, *Journal of Educational Statistics*, to the current one, in order to incorporate a broader scope that includes behavioral statistics. The journal began online publication in 2007, including the ability to publish accepted manuscripts online before inclusion in published issues. In 2008 manuscript submissions to *JEBS* increased by nearly 20% from the previous year, and in 2009 the rate increased by 60%. With an acceptance rate of only 10%, *JEBS's* upcoming changes ensure its ability to publish research of merit for the benefit of its readership.

Subscription costs will not increase for AERA or ASA members but will increase modestly for institutional subscribers.