POPULATION RESEARCH AND POLICY REVIEW
CALL FOR PROPOSALS: SPECIAL ISSUE

Deadline: May 1, 2022

Population Research and Policy Review (*PRPR*) welcomes proposals for its next Special Issue. *PRPR* typically publishes one Special Issue (SI) each year. The next SI should include around 6 to 12 empirical papers together with an introductory editorial that provides a more overarching synthesis of the individual contributions.

Submission of proposals

The proposal for the SI should be made by the expected guest editor(s) and submitted to the editors-in-chief of *PRPR* (Kara Joyner: kara.joyner@utsa.edu and Corey Sparks: corey.sparks@utsa.edu). The proposal must include:

- the title of the special issue
- the names and affiliations of the guest editor(s)
- the names and affiliations of the contributing authors
- a one-page summary of the theme, overarching aim, timeliness and innovativeness of the SI for publication in *PRPR*. It should be shown that the different papers fit together as a coherent SI.
- all titles and (half page) abstracts of the SI paper contributions

Procedure and responsibilities of the guest editor(s)

The SI proposals will be evaluated by the Editors and Editorial Board of *PRPR*. If the proposal is selected, the process of evaluating the contributions will follow the regular review procedure of *PRPR*; however, the guest editor(s) will take the responsibility of editor(s) of the SI manuscripts. Depending on the number and quality of the SI proposals that are submitted in this call, the editorial team may decide to accept one or more proposals. However, in case the editorial team judges that none of the proposals meets the quality standards of the journal, it can also be decided that none of the suggested proposals will be accepted for further development and production.

Once the editorial team of *PRPR* approves the proposal, the guest editor(s) will be informed of the time line for the production process. The guest editor(s) will from then on be the primary contact person(s) for the contributors to the SI and should inform them about deadlines for submission and further procedures. The full papers for the SI should be uploaded in Editorial Manager (the online submission system) and handled from there by the guest editor(s) who is(are) expected to manage the review process. The editorial office of *PRPR* will assist if needed.

Each paper for the SI will be evaluated by three anonymous reviewers. The guest editorial will not be sent out to external reviewers, but will be evaluated by the editorial team of *PRPR*. After the reviewers' reports have been received, the guest editor(s) decide(s) on the manuscript, inform(s) the authors of the decision, and set(s) the deadline for the revised manuscript. It may occur that one or more of the papers is rejected based on the reviewer reports. At this stage the editors-in-chief will be informed of the outcome and, if necessary, make a joint decision on how to proceed. The guest editor is responsible for ensuring that all papers are of sufficiently high quality and form a coherent set of papers for the SI.

If you have any further queries, please contact *PRPR* editors-in-chief Kara Joyner and Corey Sparks.