



Journal of Food Distribution Research

2019 Call for Editors

The Food Distribution Research Society is accepting proposals for editorship of the Journal of Food Distribution Research. The journal has been home to peer-reviewed articles related to food marketing and distribution for almost 40 years. Food marketing and distribution research issues will continue to resonate with both the academic and industry communities as global food issues evolve with technology and markets. FDRS leadership is open to any strategies to engage a new set of authors and readers in response to emerging issues and topics within the food system that would be well-served by this journal.

The journal typically offers two general issues per year in addition to a proceedings issue featuring shorter papers presented at the annual FDRS meeting and periodic special topic issues in collaboration with partner research groups. The journal offers an annual award for the outstanding research contribution, which is presented at the annual meeting.

FDRS is a close partner with the Agricultural and Applied Economics Association, and reaches out to agricultural economists, business school academics, and industry interests over a wide array of food marketing interests. The journal has recently moved to become an open source publication to facilitate easier access to investigators.

The lead JFDR Editor(s) would serve on the FDRS Board of Directors and be expected to contribute to the further development and programming of the organization. The Board meets at the annual fall conference (September/October) and by conference call (January and May).

The lead Journal Editor edits and publishes both regular refereed issues and the annual proceedings issue in a timely manner. S/he selects the Editorial Board, prepares an annual budget request for the Secretary/Treasurer, bills authors for page charges, and establishes journal policy and style in consultation with the Vice President for Communications. The lead Journal Editor may appoint two associate editors who will assist in editing, publishing and budgetary matters for the journal. Since we are encouraging the development of an editorial team to share the tasks in this call, a set of colleagues from an institution(s) are also encouraged to apply. The Society employs an experienced technical editor who is tasked with formatting accepted articles, communicating with authors about page charges, and sending final versions to the VP Communications for online publication.

The editorial team will receive a three year appointment with opportunity for renewal upon mutual agreement between the team and the board. The term will begin on January 1, 2019.

Candidates for the lead Journal Editor and/or associate editors/editorial team should send a two page application that includes the editorial philosophy, administrative plan, curriculum vitae of each editorial team member, and a letter of support from the department chair (to assure institutional support) to Kim Morgan at KLMorgan@vt.edu.

Applications should be submitted by September 1, 2018. The board plans to make a decision shortly following that deadline. More information about the Food Distribution Research Society is available at the Society's web page, www.FDRSinc.org.