The Association for Feminist Anthropology (AFA) invites proposals to provide editorial stewardship for its newly inaugurated journal, Feminist Anthropology (FA), for a three and a half-year term to begin on July 1, 2019 and conclude on December 31, 2022. Feminist Anthropology is a peer-reviewed journal that draws on feminist theories and methods to broadly build feminist scholarship across the discipline of anthropology.

Editing Feminist Anthropology will offer a unique opportunity to shape feminist anthropology’s identity and future. The editor(s) is not expected to have expertise in all subfields, but must be interested in creatively developing incisive and inclusive conversations within and across subfields and forms of practice. We expect this to include engagement with critical scholarly topics and public debate, as well as with new developments in digital publishing and use of media.

The fundamental responsibility of the new editor(s) will be to expertly guide the solicitation, peer review, selection, and publication of articles and special issues. The editor(s) will be expected to consult and take advantage of an enthusiastic editorial board. The editor(s) will safeguard collegiality in the field and promote authors’ intellectual development and career progress by providing timely and constructive reviews, publication decisions and publication of accepted manuscripts. The journal will publish two issues per year, one in May and one in November. One issue per year will consist of open-submission research articles, while the other will be thematic, including invited collections.

Responsibilities of the editor(s) will also include promoting the journal, the field, and researchers by providing presentations, workshops and materials to potential authors at the American Anthropological Association meetings and other relevant professional meetings. FA’s editor(s) will be appointed by and report to the board of the Association for Feminist Anthropology. Upon appointment, the editor(s) will become an ex-officio member of the AFA board.

Proposal Considerations:
The AFA Board invites submissions from a wide range of candidate profiles. We welcome proposals for collaborative or co-editor teams. We especially encourage applicants from underrepresented groups and a range of backgrounds, including racial, ethnic, gender and sexual identities, and applied/practicing/professional anthropologists. Candidates should describe prior editorial experience in their proposals.

A successful proposal will articulate:
1. a clear vision for journal stewardship;
2. highly qualified leadership grounded in feminist anthropology;
3. a plan for the timely processing, review, and publication of high quality manuscripts grounded in feminist anthropology;
4. an infrastructure that includes institutional support (e.g. physical space, finances, dedicated graduate assistants, travel funds or other staffing) or any additional financial or other support;
5. and special features such as a plan for mentorship of junior authors or graduate student reviewers and staff, outreach at conferences, or dynamic use of social media.

Proposals will be evaluated in light of all five criteria and individual qualifications. In addition, proposals should articulate the editorial team’s vision, organizational structure, and financial infrastructure:

Vision:
FA will become the flagship journal for the Association for Feminist Anthropology, and the flagship for feminist anthropology generally. What will be the signature elements of your or your team’s journal stewardship? Will there be a special emphasis on developing any specific aspect of journal content (e.g. field reflections, academic articles, book reviews, special issues) in any specific direction? What will be you or your team’s approach to promoting collegiality in the review process, mentorship of junior authors or enhancing the standing of the journal among educational researchers?

Organizational Structure:
Who will be on the team? What roles and responsibilities will be covered and by whom? Beyond an editor (or editors) and a managing editor, roles may include but are not limited to associate editors, special issue editors, graduate assistants, graduate student interns, or an active board of reviewers. CVs of key personnel should be appended to the proposal.

Financial Infrastructure:
Provide an annual budget, expectation of support from the Association for Feminist Anthropology and a brief, clear budget narrative that includes a statement of direct and in-kind institutional support. Letters of institutional support should be appended to the proposal.

Contacts and Deadline:
Potential applicants should contact AFA President-elect Jennifer R. Wies (jrwies@bsu.edu) with queries regarding the budget, the publication process in the context of our parent organization and publisher, or other aspects of AFA’s operations.

Send proposals as a single PDF document to AFA President Carla Jones (carla.jones@colorado.edu). The proposal deadline is April 15, 2019.