

2022-2023 TARGETED NOMINATION STATEMENT: P&C BOARD

PUBLICATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS (P&C) BOARD (One to be elected for a 6-year term)

P&C Board terms run for six-years, with terms beginning on July 1 of the first year and ending on June 30 of the sixth year. The function of the Publication and Communications Board is to:

- Make recommendations on current and innovative plans and policies relevant to APA's publishing program, including acquisition, management, initiation, or discontinuance of journals, separates, bibliographic and related publications, and information services
- Participate in editor searches and appoint journal editors

During 2023, an election will occur to fill one vacancy on the P&C Board due to the completion of a six-year term. The newly elected candidate will be formally seated on July 1, 2024. The selected individuals will be invited to attend Spring 2024 P&C Board meetings as a member-elect.

The P&C Board meets four times per year, in February, May, August and October. Meetings in February and August last three to four hours. The meetings in May and October run approximately four hours per day over two days. Meeting preparations tend to take members one to two hours. At the moment all P&C Board meetings are virtual. It is possible that in the future one meeting per year may be in person. If there were in person board meetings, APA would cover reasonable travel expenses for P&C Board Members. There are occasional emails and online votes to approve non-controversial items such as meeting minutes. P&C Board members chair searches for open editorships of APA journals. While most P&C Members chair one search per year, some agree to chair an additional search. P&C Members typically spend up to five hours per year on each search.

With respect to the specific qualifications, nominees should be psychologists whose primary expertise is in one or more of the following content areas:

- Neuroscience
- Brain and behavior
- Animal research

With respect to general qualifications, nominees must have editorial experience equivalent to a minimum of three years' service on editorial boards of two or more journals, or five years' experience authoring and reviewing with several journals. Actual experience as a journal editor or associate editor is preferable, as is experience editing or co-editing two or more books. Nominees must have authored at least 12 journal articles and four book chapters. It is preferable that nominees have experience in the technical aspects of publishing through service on other "P&C-like" committees of APA divisions or other associations/societies. All nominees are asked to provide a CV with the nomination.

The P&C Board is strongly committed to ensuring diversity of its membership, and therefore encourage applicants of all gender, race, ethnicity, and career stages.

APA is engaged in a process of transformation, placing a much greater emphasis on making an impact that clearly benefits society and improves lives. In February 2019, the Council of Representatives adopted a new strategic plan that sets APA's organizational priorities for the next three to five years. Going forward, boards and committees will work in an integrated, collaborative, and multi-disciplinary manner since no single board or committee can achieve any of the plan's objectives on their own. Given the importance of this approach to the Association's strategic priorities, APA encourages nominees to the P&C Board to review the [strategic plan](#) to become familiar with the larger context in which their expertise and interests will contribute to APA's

success.