

CALL FOR EDITOR PROPOSALS STUDIES IN SECOND LANGUAGE ACQUISITION



Professor Susan Gass is completing her tenure and in June 2022 will be stepping down as Editor of *Studies in Second Language Acquisition (SSLA)*. Cambridge University Press is now inviting applications for the position of Editor. A team of two Co-Editors will also be considered. Final appointment decisions will be made by the Syndicate of Cambridge University Press.

The deadline for applications is **November 30, 2021**.

Studies in Second Language Acquisition is a refereed journal of international scope devoted to the scientific discussion of acquisition or use of non-native and heritage languages. Each volume (five issues) contains research articles of either a quantitative, qualitative, or mixed-methods nature in addition to essays on current theoretical matters. Other rubrics include Replication Studies, Critical Commentaries, State-of-the-Scholarship, Methods Forum, and Research Reports.

SSLA published volume 43 in 2021. Its 2020 Impact Factor was 2.838, placing it 8th of 187 journals in the Linguistics JCR. Its Google h-5 index is 36 and h-5 median is 50, placing it 4th in Language and Linguistics, and 5th in Foreign Language Learning.

Interested applicants should send a curriculum vita and cover letter along with an abbreviated development plan (not to exceed two pages) and the names and email addresses of three referees, to Amy Laurent at Cambridge University Press (details below).

Editorial responsibilities will include:

- Shaping the strategic direction of the journal, in cooperation with Cambridge
- Organizing and managing the editorial office, with support from Cambridge
- Managing the peer review process (using the ScholarOne system)
- Making final article acceptance decisions
- Editing and proofing articles for the journal
- Proposing and working with members of an active Editorial Board
- Attending relevant conferences, where possible, and an annual editorial meeting

In your application, please indicate your:

- Experience publishing in the field
- Editorial experience, ideally with an academic journal
- Ability to work under pressure, meet deadlines and work as part of a team
- Strong professional and academic links
- Organizational, communication and IT skills
- Institutional support, financial or otherwise, to aid your work on the journal
- Proposed plan for development, including areas such as:
 - Engagement of journal reviewers and editorial board members
 - Areas of focus for commissioning
 - Journal metrics

Please direct applications and any questions to Amy Laurent, Editor, Cambridge University Press at amy.laurent@cambridge.org. **Please use SSLA Call for Editor as your email subject line.**