



PSPB editorial philosophy, January 2021

Since Jan 2021, Dr. Impett has participated as senior Co-editor in the editorial team for the flagship journal for the Society for Personality and Social Psychology, The Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin, whose philosophy is as follows:



As with the editorial team of 2020, typical manuscripts will continue to:

- Contain multiple studies of adequate power, each described in ≤10,000 words.
- Publish 12 issues annually.
- Have a 20% acceptance rate.
- Welcome papers on a broad range of topics within the field of personality and social psychology (e.g., attitudes, behaviour, culture...)
- Feature new, creative work marked with good writing, methodological rigor, and importance in characterizing the human condition.

Ultimately, all papers will answer yes to the question: Have we learned something useful or important from the paper?

Open Science Initiatives

Many open science practices will be retained, requiring supplementary files to be submitted with all papers which will be made available to reviewers and published online for replicatory efforts.

In accordance with Level II guidelines from the Transparency and Openness Promotion recommendations,



The Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin now requires authors to:

- make data, analytic code, and verbatim research materials available to reviewers at the time of submissions,
- and specify whether their studies and analysis plans were preregistered and to make them available if so.

Further, manuscripts directly or closely replicating procedures previously published in the PSPB will now be considered but must be reported and

justified by authors in advance of the study.

Diversity Initiatives

In acknowledgment of the limitations of the current database and the underrepresentation of small populations, we issued an open call to recruit an editorial team that is diverse in terms of research interests, methods, race, ethnicity, and so on. With this team in place, we welcome submissions of research involving underrepresented populations, and encourage authors to think about, and speak to, constraints in generality in their General Discussion Sections

In closing

The PSPB has a strong legacy of providing a space for authors to share new ideas that shed light on the human condition. With TOP Level II policies in place to



promote greater transparency in the research process and a commitment to promoting psychological science that reflects the diversity of the human condition, we are eager to continue this legacy and we welcome your contributions.

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