

JARE Editors' Report

June 1, 2010–May 31, 2011

The *JARE* editorial team of Gary Brester, Myles Watts, Vince Smith, and Joe Atwood (MSU) began their three-year term with manuscript 2009-0535, submitted April 1st, 2009. The last manuscript submitted in May, 2011, was numbered 2011-1037. In the past two years the team has managed just over 500 manuscript submissions. Publication details for the three volumes published during the past year are reported in table 1.

Table 1: Articles and Page Counts for Volume 36

April 2011 (Volume 36, Issue 1)	August 2011 (Volume 36, Issue 2)	December 2011 (Volume 36, Issue 3)	Total
13 Articles (228 pages)	12 Articles (204 pages)	12 Articles (216 pages)	37 Articles (648 pages)

JARE Manuscript Management: Table 2 reports submission details from June 1, 2010, to May 31, 2011. A total of 221 manuscripts were submitted during the year; 18 manuscripts were resubmitted, meaning there were 203 unique manuscripts (ignoring multiple submissions of the same manuscript). Of these, 24 papers are currently under review, and 197 have been completed (i.e., a publication decision has been made). The journal's acceptance rate is 19.8% of all completed submissions, and 21.8% of all unique submissions.

Table 2: Manuscript Status, June 1, 2010 – May 31, 2011

Submissions:	221	
Unique Manuscripts:	203	
Resubmissions	18	
Papers Currently Under Review	24	
Completed Submissions:	197	
Total Rejected:	158	(80.2% of completed submissions)
Rejected without Review:	90	(45.7% of all completed submissions)
Rejected after Review:	36	(18.3% of all completed submissions)
w/ Option to Resubmit:	32	(16.2% of all completed submissions)
Accepted or Published:	39	(19.8% of all completed submissions)

JARE Publication Costs: JARE publication costs are incurred in three general areas: Editorial Team, Technical Editing, and Printing. The Editorial Team manages the review and publication process. The Team's costs are fixed on an annual basis. Assuming that each Volume (a total of three issues) contains 500 printed pages, these costs total \$40/page. Technical Editing involves formatting final documents into pdfs that are used by Sheridan Press during the printing process. This process involves formatting text and figures, checking references, resolving technical errors, and formatting figures/tables to maintain consistency and fit within available space. These costs are approximately \$40/page. Finally, Sheridan Press prints, binds, and mails print versions of the *Journal* to members and other subscribers. Some of these costs are fixed and some are variable. Total costs for the most recent issue were approximately \$31/page. In summary, JARE's costs per printed page are approximately \$110/page. These costs are met through a combination of page charges (\$79-89/page), member dues, subscriptions, royalties, and WAEA assets.

Conclusion: The editors greatly appreciate the efforts of our Editorial Assistant and Technical Editor, Amy Bekkerman, and the staff of Sheridan Press for overseeing the review process, publication, and distribution of each issue. We would also like to extend our gratitude to the memory of Judy Harrison, formerly our Technical Editor. We also wish to thank the hundreds of reviewers who have provided us with extensive comments on the suitability of submitted manuscripts. We have also enjoyed working with George Chronis of the University of Missouri's FastTrack electronic submission management system. It is hard to imagine the work that was necessary to edit the *Journal* before the electronic management system was available.

Respectfully submitted,

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