SSSA Call for Nominations

Vadose Zone Journal Editor

The Soil Science Society of America seeks nominations for the incoming Vadose Zone Journal Editor. This is a three-year term of service to begin 1 January 2023. Candidates are expected to be visionary, as the publication ecosystem is experiencing rapid changes in scientific content delivery as well as publishing models. In addition, there is fierce competition for authors and readers. Prior editorial experience with ASA, CSSA, or SSSA publications or those having similar subject matter/structure is required.

Duties and responsibilities of the Editor position include, but are not limited to:

- provide leadership for the journal, promote scholarship in the science targeted by the journal, promote manuscript submission, and peer review to researchers and authors.
- act as ambassador of the journal to international communities to raise the quality of science.
- collaborate in the development, implementation, and communication of vision for the journal.
- accept responsibility for maintaining the journal’s quality content standards, objectives, and metrics.
- strive to advance scientific publishing to ensure the high standards of reliability, accessibility, openness, and integrity of the scientific enterprise. The Editor will promote broad ethical and communal interests of science in support of Society diversity, equity, and inclusion initiatives.
- appointing Co-Editors to the journal's editorial board on behalf of the SSSA President.
- serve as a member of the Societies’ Editorial Affairs, Policies, and Practices Committee among other responsibilities.

Candidates for the positions are appointed to a three-year term, with eligibility for a second three-year term, but not a third term without an intervening three-year period. The position is appointed by the SSSA president upon confirmation by its board of directors and carries a great deal of responsibility as well as personal satisfaction. Interested persons may nominate themselves or be nominated by an active member of ASA, CSSA, or SSSA. Candidates should email (i) a vita including a list of previous editorial experience and (ii) a vision statement for the journal not exceeding one page.

Deadline
Submit nominations no later than 1 May 2022 for Vadose Zone Journal Editor to SSSA Editor-in-Chief Craig Rasmussen (crasmuss@email.arizona.edu). This position is open until filled. Please contact Craig with any questions or for a full position description.