

Editorial Apprenticeship Programme Description

ISQua will appoint a maximum of two trainee Editors to the IJQHC Editorial Apprenticeship Programme. This will be a one-year apprenticeship for aspiring future editors of scientific journals, commencing March 2024.

Requirements of applicants

- Evidence of publications in peer-review journals
- Evidence of being a reviewer for a peer-reviewed journal
- Academic affiliation
- Participation in research or quality improvement programmes
- Experience of editing papers

Expectations of Editorial Apprentices

- Join Editorial Board meetings, as scheduled
- Calls to discuss papers being handled and walk through these papers on ScholarOne with the supervising Deputy Editor (DE)
- Once a month update calls with the Editor-in-Chief
- Complete training on ScholarOne

Editorial Tasks

- Handle papers at the Associate Editor level with the Editor in Chief (EIC) and supervised by a Deputy Editor – 2 papers (1 per month)
- Papers will be allocated as per interest area
- Write one editorial for the year
- Soliciting review pieces
- Participate in a once a month call to discuss papers with the Editor in Chief and/or Deputy Editor
- Keep a running log of the in-progress and completed activities.
- Write a reflective piece at the end of the year

Editorial Role

The duties and responsibilities of an Apprentice Editor include:

- Working within the ScholarOne online manuscript tracking system to facilitate peer review of manuscripts assigned to you by the EIC
- In consultation with the EIC or DE, recommending immediate rejection of papers that do not merit external peer review
- As an Apprentice Editor, you will invite (initial contact only) potential reviewers until two are secured through the ScholarOne System
- Reviewing recommendations from reviewers and providing additional input if needed
- Making initial recommendations on manuscripts to the Deputy Editor - revise/accept/reject recommendations.
- Notifying editorial office when out of touch for an extended period of time
- Participating in the regular Editorial meetings
- Attend the ISQua conference in Istanbul, in September 2024 (Optional)
- Work with ISQua's Social Media & Marketing Coordinator to help promote the Journals and articles.

Upon completion of the program participants will receive:

- Certificate of Completion from the Editorial Office
- Editor in Chief and Deputy Editor support in applying to Editorial Boards.