



Call for applicants -Associate Editor, Icarus

Icarus is devoted to the publication of original contributions in the field of Solar System studies. Manuscripts reporting the results of new research - observational, experimental, or theoretical - concerning the astronomy, geology, meteorology, physics, chemistry, biology, and other scientific aspects of our Solar System or extrasolar systems are welcome.

The journal generally does not publish papers devoted exclusively to the Sun or the Earth; papers on celestial mechanics or astrophysics are acceptable only if they have a clear importance for planetary science; descriptive studies of meteorites should be addressed to journals of meteoritics, but are relevant for *Icarus* if they provide constraints on the formation or evolution of planetesimals, planets or the solar system in its globality. *Icarus* does not publish papers that provide "improved" versions of Bode's law, or other numerical relations, without a sound physical basis.

Icarus does not publish meeting announcements or general notices. Reviews, historical papers, and manuscripts describing spacecraft instrumentation may be considered, but only with prior approval of the editor. An entire issue of the journal is occasionally devoted to a single subject, usually arising from a conference on the same topic. The language of publication is English. American or British usage is accepted, but not a mixture of these.

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The Associate Editor role entails:

- Responsibility for the scientific content of the Journal within a specific area relating to the Journal, taking into account the Aims and Scope, the Publisher's editorial policies as updated from time to time (including without limitation those on ethics in publishing at the Publisher's website) and the editorial policy of the Journal.
- The evaluation and selection of articles for publication in the Journal that are consistent with the high standards of the journal. This includes coordinating an objective and unbiased peer-review process for submitted Articles, obtaining a minimum of (2) reviews for each article, and will reject, or return for revision to the authors Articles that do not meet the required standards of the Journal.
- Ensuring an appropriate and sufficient level of submissions of Articles for publication to meet the publication goals of the Journal. If necessary, the Editor will solicit Articles to help meet such publication goals.
- Conduct activities in accordance with generally accepted industry standards for integrity and objectivity in all matters respecting the selection, editing, acceptance and reviewing of Articles

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The applicants:

- Must have a PhD in a field of study relevant to the scope of this journal;
- Must have demonstrated broad expertise in:
 - Planetary magnetospheres/ionospheres, especially related to Mars/MAVEN, Titan, Gas/Ice Giants, Mercury
 - Effects of irradiation on atmospheric evolution
- Be knowledgeable in research publishing, managing a journal publication, the peer review process and in growing a journal;
- Demonstrate skills as a good collaborator with ability to lead a team effectively.

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Interested candidates are asked to provide a complete CV, including publication record, as well as a one-page summary of their relevant experience and area of expertise for this Associate Editor position by July 1, 2023. Please include up to three references.

Applications and relevant supporting documents must be sent to Christina Gifford, Publisher, c.gifford@elsevier.com.

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