## Call for Applications: Join the Journal of Great Lakes Research Editorial Board as an Early Career Researcher (ECR) Editor

The Journal of Great Lakes Research, the official Journal of the International Association for Great Lakes Research devoted to research on large lakes of the world and their watersheds, is seeking applications for two Early Career Researchers (ECRs) interested in joining the Editorial Board as an ECR Editor. These newly created ECR Editor positions are intended to provide professional development for ECRs with strong interests in scientific publishing and peer review; to harness the enthusiasm and expertise of ECRs working in the natural and social sciences related to large lakes; and to more directly involve the next generation of large lakes researchers in the peer review and editorial process. Ideally, given the international nature of the Journal, one of the ECR Editors will be from outside of Canada and the U.S.

ECR Editors will work under the guidance and support of the Lead Editor to handle a small number of manuscripts on topics related to their expertise. They will learn how to find suitable reviewers, synthesize peer reviews, and provide feedback on manuscripts to authors. Promoting the Journal, encouraging submissions from researchers within their network, and potentially developing or contributing to a <a href="Special Section">Special Section</a> would also be welcome, optional activities for ECR Editors.

The ECR Editor positions will have an initial duration of two years, with the potential for renewal if still an ECR or retention as an Associate Editor. Benefits include complimentary membership in IAGLR and an invitation to the Associate Editor reception at the annual IAGLR meeting.

## Eligibility

ECR Editors should have completed their PhD 1–5 years before the application deadline, but this requirement can be waived for candidates with special circumstances. The ideal candidates will be active in any field of large lake research in the natural (e.g., biology, chemistry, physics, and geology) and social sciences; have published two or more peerreviewed articles as first author; and have served as a reviewer for at least three manuscripts submitted to peer-reviewed journals. Indigenous ECRs, as well as ECRs from outside Canada and the U.S., are strongly encouraged to apply.

## **How to Apply**

Please submit the following by email to Dr. Margaret Docker, Lead Editor (<a href="mailto:editor@iaglr.org">editor@iaglr.org</a>), by January 31, 2026.

- Current CV
- A brief description of your scientific area of expertise and research interests (250 words maximum)

- A brief statement indicating how you would use this position to enhance your own professional development as well as helping foster opportunities for other large lake ECRs to publish their research (250 words maximum)
- A brief statement describing your experience with writing, editing, and reviewing manuscripts and your approach to providing feedback to authors (250 words maximum)
- A list of three potential references who can speak to your scientific expertise and general professional and interpersonal skills (e.g., reliability, ability to meet deadlines).

## Questions?

If you have any questions about these positions, please don't hesitate to email Margaret Docker at <a href="mailto:editor@iaglr.org">editor@iaglr.org</a> or <a href="mailto:Margaret.Docker@umanitoba.ca">Margaret.Docker@umanitoba.ca</a>.