Call for Guest Editor(s)

Journal of Integrated Global STEM:
Public Interest Technology University Network Special Issue

Proposal Deadline: December 15, 2023

In partnership with The WPI Press, De Gruyter Publications, The Public Interest Technology University Network (PIT-UN) is sponsoring an **annual** special issue of *The Journal of Integrated Global STEM*: *People, Technology and Place* focused on public interest technology.[1] The journal publishes traditional peer-reviewed (double-blind) manuscripts, conceptually expansive literature reviews, case studies that speak to the goals of the special issue, and "Viewpoints," which bring contemporary debates of interest to our readers. Viewpoints are reviewed by editorial staff.

For this special issue, we will solicit proposals with a general focus on public interest technology from an individual guest editor or editorial team. The proposal should establish the vision and goals for the special issue as well as provide a table of contents of pieces curated for the issue. More on submission details are at the bottom of this call.

Editors can be in any phase of their career. Early career professionals will be supported by the journal's editor-in-chief to learn about developing, managing, and publishing special issues. A stipend for the guest editor role is being explored.

Editors should feel free curate a mix of submission types. Submissions can all be double-blind, peer-reviewed pieces, or a mix of our submission types. At least half the manuscripts should fit into the peer-reviewed category. Student co-authors are encouraged. The guest editors will be expected to write an editorial that frames the issue, identifies its goals, provides a brief description of the contributions and how they support the overall goals of the issue.

We expect that the editors will identify contributors that represent society: they should be well balanced in terms of race, ethnicity, and gender.

Proposal timelines should work backward from August/September 2024 when we expect the final package to be sent to the publishing support team. This first PIT Special Issue will be volume 1 issue 2 of the journal, which is scheduled for publication in the fall of 2024. Manuscripts will be submitted through Manuscript Central.

For questions about this opportunity, please contact the journal's Editor-in-Chief, Rob Krueger at Krueger(at)wpi.edu.

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[1] Public interest technology refers to a set of practices to design, deploy and govern technology in ways that advance the public interest. Interdisciplinary by nature, it involves the ability to assess and respond to the core ethical, legal, policy, social, economic and political implications of technology. PIT draws from technical fields like computer science, data science, and engineering, along with law, public policy, movement-building, philosophy, the social sciences, the arts and humanities, and more; and centers justice, dignity and autonomy for all, in particular for those most exposed to and impacted by technological harms.

What to Include in Your Proposal

1. Proposed Title (and Subtitle) and summary of the goals of the issue (2-pages)

2. Editor(s) Biosketch(es)
List all names, titles, institutions, countries, and contact information. We also ask for a brief bio, 3-5 sentences, that identifies the editor's discipline and area of specialization.

3. Short Description of the Book's Content and Significance
Describe the proposed work's content and significance. Explain the aims of the special and how they will be achieved.

4. Annotated Table of Contents
The Table of Contents should identify the type of publication (traditional peer-reviewed, literature review, case study, or viewpoint), the title, author names and affiliations, and an abstract (300-500 words) of the manuscript.

5. Proposed timeline for completion (working back from August 1)