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INTRODUCTION

As a Reviewer of a manuscript, your input is a crucial part of the peer review process. This guide is intended to give an overview of the Reviewer Process in ScholarOne Manuscripts.

THE REVIEW PROCESS

The steps below are the high-level steps in the review process. This document will describe each of these steps in detail.

• Receive Invitation to review
• Accept Invitation
• Review Manuscript
• Complete Review online
• Submit Review

RECEIVING AN INVITATION

As a reviewer, you will be notified by e-mail of an invitation to review a manuscript. Text of the e-mail can be customized so its appearance may vary by journal.

29-Aug-2013
Dear Dr. Baker:

Manuscript ID NMU-2013-07-0001 entitled "Migration Patterns of the Cardinal" with Dr. Author as contact author has been submitted to the ScholarOne University Training Workflow 1.

I invite you to review this manuscript. The abstract appears at the end of this letter, along with the names of the authors. Please let me know as soon as possible if you will be able to accept my invitation to review. Decline - Suggest Alternate: http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/siu-wf1?URL_MASK=eb4e3f887b7c4eef8b844755f1f0827c8

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Once you accept my invitation to review this manuscript, you will be notified via e-mail about how to access Manuscript Central, our online manuscript submission and review system. You will then have access to the manuscript and reviewer instructions in your Reviewer Center.

I realize that our expert reviewers greatly contribute to the high standards of the Journal, and I thank you for your present and/or future participation.

Sincerely,
Gwen Baker
ScholarOne University Training Workflow 1 Editorial Office gwen.baker@test.demo
RESPONDING TO AN INVITATION

The e-mail might come embedded with hyperlink invitation responses. Selecting the appropriate hyperlink sends the response to the journal and updates the system with your response.

If you select the **Agreed** hyperlink, you will be sent an additional e-mail that contains a link to your reviewer center. Click the link to begin your review.

**Note:** If the e-mail does not come with embedded response links, you will need to reply via e-mail.
LOGGING INTO YOUR REVIEWER CENTER

Each ScholarOne Manuscripts journal site has a unique Web address (URL). Typically, you are given that address in the invitation or invitation-response e-mail sent by the journal. If the URL is hyperlinked, simply select the link within the e-mail. You can also enter the web address in the address field of your browser and press the Enter key on your keyboard. The journal's Log In page is displayed.

ACCOUNT SETUP AND MAINTENANCE

Your account on the journal’s ScholarOne Manuscripts site may be created in one of two ways.

- The journal may create your account and e-mail you instructions on how to login.
- Some journals may include account information along with the invitation to review. If you do not receive your account details, please check instructions on how to obtain your password.

To keep your account information current, click on your name and select the section you need to update.

NOTE: You can also change your User ID and password here.
FORGOT YOUR PASSWORD?

If you forget your password, enter your **E-mail Address** in the Password Help field and select the **GO** button. The system will send you an e-mail containing your account details or instructions on how to reset your password.

![Login page](image)

**Note:** All uploaded documents and end-user supplied text will not toggle and will be displayed in the language entered by the user.

LANGUAGE TOGGLE

Language toggle allows you to switch the display from the default language of English to another language. If configured for your site, you will find the language toggle located on the header at the top of the screen. Current languages available are French, Chinese and Japanese.

![Language toggle](image)
REVIEWER CENTER OVERVIEW

HOME PAGE

The Home Page contains top-level navigation based upon roles. You will only see the roles you have permissions to. It also contains side navigation to your different publications (if applicable).

The Home page contains many convenient navigation features as well as site-specific information and images.

**Header**

**Quick Links:** Access the following functions:

- Your user name – click to edit your account
- Instructions & Forms – journal-specific instructions for users and any journal-specific forms required for the peer review process; Admins see the screens for editing the page
- Help – links you to various help functions
- Log Out

**Journal Logo**

**Top-Level Menu:** Access the role-specific centers and functions through this menu. Users see only centers they have access to. Some centers, such as Admin and Editor, are grouped together under a heading with a drop-down list. This menu is displayed wherever you are working in the system to allow you to easily move between functions.

**Left menu:** Access options to switch to another journal (if configured) and links to help and documentation.
Select **Review** to begin your assignment.

Locate the paper in the **Review and Score** section, and select the **Perform Review** button to view the review form.

- Click the "HTML" button to view the online version of the manuscript; click the "PDF" button to view a printer-friendly version of the manuscript.
- Be sure to read the reviewer instructions on the "Instructions" tab.
- Navigate to the "Score Sheet" tab to access the reviewer form. Be sure to click "Save" at the bottom of the scoresheet to retain your work in the system.
- To submit your review, click the "Submit" button at the bottom of the score sheet.
There will be three tabs to aid in reviewing and scoring the manuscript.

- **Instructions**: View journal-specified instructions
- **Details**: View manuscript details and version history for the submission
- **Score Sheet**: Complete your review

**VIEWING PROOFS**

In order to review the manuscript, you will need to view one of the proofs. Select the HTML or PDF button on the header. In most cases the journal allows you to view both, along with the abstract. Other files are available based on journal preferences.

**PERFORMING EXTERNAL SEARCHES**

Selecting the **External Searches** button allows you to search external databases such as PubMed, HighWire, Google, Web of Science, etc. for the author, title, keywords and more. This may be useful to find similar or related papers.
### SCORING & SUBMITTING YOUR REVIEW

Select the Score Sheet tab to review and score the manuscript. The format varies by journal and may include journal-specific questions, a recommendation field, comments to the author, comments to the editor, and the ability to attach files.

**Recommendation**
- Accept
- Minor Revision
- Major Revision
- Reject & Resubmit
- Reject

**Would you be willing to review a revision of this manuscript?**
- Yes
- No

**Comments**
- Confidential Comments to the Associate Editor
- Comments to the Author

**Attach a File**

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**NOTE:** Any fields marked with a red “req” symbol require an answer before you can submit the score sheet.
VIEWING AUTHOR’S RESPONSE

On revised manuscripts you will be able to view the author’s response to the decision letter.

Click the **Author’s Response** button to access the response information.

SUGGESTIONS FOR REVIEWING

Save your work often! ScholarOne Manuscripts times out after periods of inactivity.

Periods of typing free text are considered periods of inactivity. Be sure to select **Save as Draft** frequently when you are entering your review to avoid timing out.

We recommend that, if you cut and paste your comments, use a plain text editor such as WordPad or Notepad.

Be sure to not include your name in any comments you make to the author as many sites are conducting a blinded review process.
VIEWING COMPLETED REVIEWS

After submitting your review, you can access your completed review in the Scores Submitted section of the View Manuscripts Page.

Click the View Review button. This section lists those manuscripts for which you have submitted reviews. You can view the following information.

- **Manuscript ID**: The journal’s system-generated identification number.
- **Title**: Includes a link to view a PDF version of the manuscript.
- **Date Completed**: Date review was sent back to the journal.
- **Status**: This column displays current status in the peer review process and, if allowed by the journal, hyperlinked names for e-mail correspondence.

**NOTE**: Based on the journal’s configuration, links to view the Decision Letter and the Author’s Response to Decision Letter may also display.
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