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INTRODUCTION

The mission of *Issues in Accounting Education* is to publish research, commentaries, and instructional resources that (1) assist accounting faculty in teaching and (2) address important issues in accounting education. The readership of *Issues in Accounting Education* is international. While the submission context may relate to a single country, the content should interest and have implications for an international audience.

The journal is comprised of the following sections:

Educational Research

The Educational Research section consists of topics such as the learning process, curriculum development, professional, certification, assessment, career training, employment, and instruction. Also included within this category are studies of student characteristics that affect learning, faculty related issues (e.g., promotion and tenure, ranking of programs), and historical, social, or institutional conditions and trends that affect accounting education. This section consists primarily of empirically derived and statistically analyzed studies. However, the journal both invites and encourages qualitative research and replications.

Instructional Resources

Instructional Resources are cases derived from actual or simulated business activities. These cases should allow for immediate use by accounting instructors and should have three self-contained parts: the case material itself (denoted “The Case”), a section containing implementation guidance and case efficacy information (denoted “Case Learning Objectives and Implementation Guidance”), and a section containing “Teaching Notes.” Authors should submit each of the three sections as separate files, each with its own references and footnotes.

The Case

An abstract precedes the case, describing its content and learning objectives. The first section, titled “The Case” should address a student audience and clearly describe a scenario and problem, followed by instructions and requirements for completing the case. The journal requires no specific format for cases. Authors may present the case in a paragraph or screenplay format, preferably writing in the first-person using active tense. Cases should not have Introduction sections. Authors can download a PDF version of this section, titled “Student Case,” from the Teaching Notes for classroom use.

Case Learning Objectives and Implementation Guidance

The second section, directed to the instructor, should fully describe the purpose of the case, strategies for using the case in class, and possible case adaptations that address particular classroom needs. In addition, this section should describe the intended audience of the case (e.g., graduate tax students) and the approximate in-class and out-of-class time needed to complete the case.

Submitted cases must provide evidence of classroom validation. Authors need not derive this evidence from rigidly controlled experimental studies. However, this evidence should describe the context in which instructors have used the case, the author’s experience using the case, perceived benefits (e.g., from data obtained from students, other instructors, and/or those in professional practice), implementation costs, and recommendations for effective employment. Optimally, at least two faculty members, preferably at different institutions, should provide experiential feedback.

Teaching Notes

Only full-member subscribers to *Issues in Accounting Education* have access to this content through the electronic publications system of the American Accounting Association. The third section does not print in the journal (see <http://aaajournals.org/loi/tnae>). This section should include the solutions to the case, any supporting calculations, and likely student responses to the case. In addition, this section should include suggested grading rubrics or other assessment material.

The journal encourages authors to submit databases, electronic spreadsheet files (and solutions), and presentation software files (such as Microsoft PowerPoint files) that would enhance the case. As with the Teaching Notes, only full-member subscribers to *Issues in Accounting Education* have access to these supplemental files.

Learning Strategies

Articles in this section include descriptions and suggestions for implementing exceptional, i.e. “best practices” or innovative learning and evaluation techniques. Examples of this type of article include “Learning Logs: Incorporating Writing-to-Learn

Assignments into Accounting Courses” (Grimm 2015), “Using a Business Simulation to Enhance Accounting Education” (Riley, Jr. et al. 2013), and “Using a Social Enterprise Service-Learning Strategy in an Introductory Management Accounting Course” (Zamora 2012),

Authors should provide supporting materials, similar to those provided for cases, given the nature of the resource. Authors must provide evidence of classroom validation, similar to that of cases.

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SUBMISSION AND ACCEPTANCE LEVELS

Table 1 shows the number of papers submitted to the *Issues in Accounting Education* for the period from 2014 to 2017.

TABLE 1
Annual Activity Summary – For the Journal Year

Year	Manuscripts In-Process, Beginning of Year	New Submissions Received	Resubmissions Received	Manuscripts Available for Evaluation	Decision Letters Sent	Manuscripts In-Process, End of Year
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(a)+(b)+(c) = (d)	(e)	(d)–(e) = (f)
2017*	23	102	54	179	148	31
2016	29	103	52	184	161	23
2015	31	111	120	262	233	29
2014	38	151	90	279	248	31

(a) Includes submissions in the editor's hands, but excludes revise and resubmit editorial decisions in authors' hands.

(b) New manuscripts, excluding resubmissions.

(c) Resubmissions of previous revise and resubmit editor decisions.

(d) Evaluation means all actions by referees, associate editor, and/or editor are complete and the manuscript has been returned to the authors.

(e) Manuscripts processed with a decision returned to the author, including manuscripts returned by the editor without involving referees.

(f) Submissions where a decision has not yet been sent to the author (note that in-process excludes revise and resubmit editorial decisions that are now in the authors' hands).

Table 2 shows acceptance and rejection rates for the period from 2014 to 2017.

TABLE 2
Annual Outcome Summary – By Journal Year Annual Cohort

Year	New Submissions Received	Number of Rejections	Percentage of Rejections	Number of Papers in Process	Percentage in Process	Number of Acceptances	Percentage of Acceptances
	(a)	(b)	(c) = b)/(a)	(d)	(e)=(d)/(a)	(f)	(g)=(f)/(a)
2017*	102	54	53%	41	40%	7	7%
2016	103	75	73%	17	16%	11	11%
2015	111	90	81%	1	1%	20	18%
2014	151	114	75%	0	0%	37	25%

(a) Number of submitted manuscripts from that year's cohort

(b) Percent of rejected manuscripts from that year's cohort

(c) Number of manuscripts still being evaluated (no report yet, revise, resubmit)

(d) Percent of manuscripts from that year's cohort still being evaluated

(e) Number of accepted manuscripts from that year's cohort

(f) Percent accepted manuscripts from that year's cohort

AAA DIGITAL LIBRARY and CONTENT AGGREGATOR DOWNLOAD DATA

The American Accounting Association publishes 17 journals in the areas of accounting research, education, practice, and public interest. Table 3 shows the download of articles from the AAA's Digital Library (<http://www.aaajournals.org>) and content aggregators (EBSCO, JSTOR, and/or Proquest) in 2016.

TABLE 3
2016 AAA Digital Library and Content Aggregators Downloads (Full-Text)

Journals	Downloads
<i>The Accounting Review</i> *	974,213
<i>Accounting Horizons</i> *	271,726
<i>Issues in Accounting Education</i>*	216,922
<i>Auditing: A Journal of Practice & Theory</i>	203,106
<i>Journal of Management Accounting Research</i>	102,280
<i>Current Issues in Auditing</i>	95,046
<i>Journal of Information Systems</i>	86,981
<i>Behavioral Research in Accounting</i>	56,410
<i>The Journal of the American Taxation Association</i>	36,369
<i>Journal of International Accounting Research</i>	34,708
<i>Journal of Emerging Technologies in Accounting</i>	11,865
<i>Journal of Governmental & Nonprofit Accounting</i>	10,876
<i>Accounting and the Public Interest</i>	9,652
<i>The ATA Journal of Legal Tax Research</i>	5,788
<i>Journal of Financial Reporting</i>	2,590
<i>Journal of Forensic Accounting Research</i>	441

* Association-wide journal.

Other Important Statistics

1. *Issues in Accounting Education* is ranked #75 of 127 Accounting journals (CiteScore, Elsevier, 2017)
2. Median time to first decision (2017): 53 days
3. Median time to final decision (2017): 54 days
4. Percentage of international authors: 26%

TOP 10 ARTICLES (AAA Digital Library, 2017)

1. Accounting for Decision Making and Control
Jerrold L. Zimmerman, Massood Yahya-Zadeh
2. Managerial Accounting
Ray H. Garrison, Eric W. Noreen, Peter C. Brewer, Annie McGowan
3. Accounting Principles
Jerry J. Weygandt, Paul D. Kimmel, Donald Kieso, Rafik Z. Elias
4. Cost Accounting: A Managerial Emphasis,
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8. Advanced Accounting
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9. Principles of Taxation for Business and Investment Planning
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10. Diamond Foods, Inc.: A Comprehensive Case in Financial Auditing
Mahendra R. Gujarathi

CITATION INDICES

Issues in Accounting Education is a highly respected journal in the accounting and economics categories. This section provides data on rankings drawn from Scopus (Elsevier, 2017), presents citation counts from Elsevier’s new CiteScore, and includes international journal listings and ratings from the most recent data available.

Scopus Rankings

An important measure of the quality of a journal is to understand how its intellectual contributions are valued by measuring the extent of citations made to papers published in that journal. Elsevier’s Scopus database of abstracts and citation of peer-reviewed papers has 50m records in more than 22,000 titles published by 5,000 publishers (<http://www.elsevier.com/online-tools/scopus>). Scopus provides a foundation for new journal metrics that have become increasingly influential in recent years (<http://www.journalmetrics.com>). Important metrics based on Scopus include Source-Normalized Impact per Paper (SNIP) and SCImago Journal Rank (SJR). Journal citation metrics based on Scopus are increasingly seen by many senior university administrators as a means of normalizing the differences in publishing patterns between disciplines.

The key aspect of SNIP is to measure citation impact by “normalizing” citation values for the radically different patterns of citation between disciplines. SNIP also counters the various manipulations of citation rankings. The summary of SNIP is:

- “Takes a research field’s citation frequency into account
- Considers immediacy—how quickly a paper is likely to have an impact in a given field
- Accounts for how well the field is covered by the underlying database
- Counters any potential for editorial manipulation” (<http://www.journalmetrics.com>)

The key aspect of SJR is the recognition that not all citations are equal. A citation in a more influential journal should count more than a citation in a less influential journal. The summary of SJR is:

- “Is weighted by the prestige of the journal, thereby ‘leveling the playing field’ among journals
- Eliminates manipulation: the only way to raise the SJR ranking is publish in more reputable journals
- ‘Shares’ a journal’s prestige equally over the total number of citations in that journal
- Normalizes for differences in citation behavior between subject fields” (<http://www.journalmetrics.com>)

Table 4 shows the SNIP and SJR rankings for 2014 to 2016 (most recent data) with comparable data for AAA peers, as well as those in the accounting education space.

TABLE 4
SNIP and SJR Rankings: 2014–2016

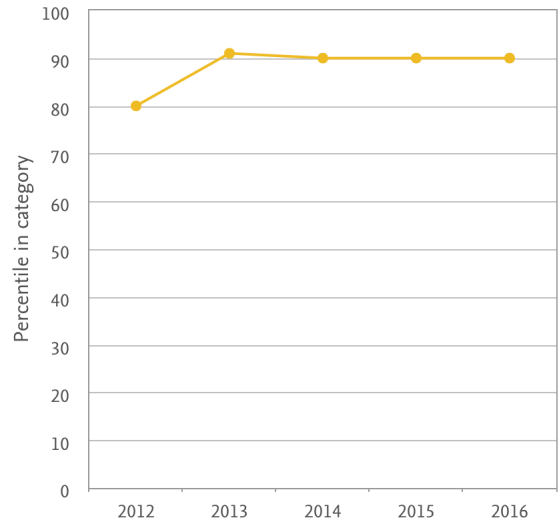
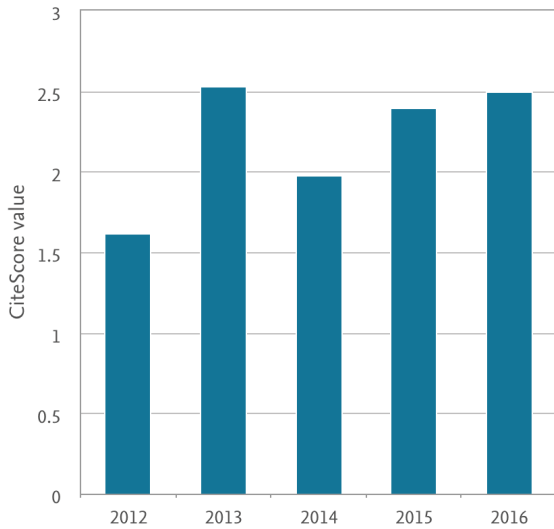
Source Title	SNIP			SJR		
	2016	2015	2014	2016	2015	2014
<i>Issues in Accounting Education</i>	1.075	1.062	1.109	0.582	0.765	0.481
AAA Peers						
<i>Accounting and the Public Interest</i>	0.799	0.394	0.222	0.206	0.299	0.152
<i>Accounting Historians Journal</i>	0.072	0.934	n/a	0.125	0.506	n/a
<i>Accounting Horizons</i>	1.099	1.909	1.319	0.926	1.063	1.148
<i>Auditing: A Journal of Practice & Theory</i>	1.913	1.857	1.538	2.133	1.652	2.881
<i>Behavioral Research in Accounting</i>	1.188	0.900	0.772	0.833	0.642	0.737
<i>Current Issues in Auditing</i>	0.386	0.248	0.311	0.270	0.229	0.303
<i>Journal of the American Taxation Association</i>	1.097	0.535	0.534	1.462	0.859	1.199
<i>Journal of Emerging Technologies in Accounting</i>	0.648	0.283	0.384	0.161	0.139	0.304
<i>Journal of Information Systems</i>	1.535	1.199	1.001	0.718	0.643	1.001
<i>Journal of International Accounting Research</i>	1.510	0.942	0.726	0.379	0.478	0.505
<i>Journal of Management Accounting Research</i>	1.204	0.398	0.574	0.964	0.783	0.623
<i>The Accounting Review</i>	2.298	3.237	2.434	3.571	4.478	4.578
Accounting and Finance Peers						
<i>Accounting, Auditing & Accountability Journal</i>	1.611	1.507	1.166	1.579	0.880	0.765
<i>Accounting & Finance</i>	1.035	1.256	1.225	0.607	0.547	0.426
<i>Accounting, Organizations and Society</i>	2.004	2.813	2.269	2.451	2.515	2.616
<i>British Accounting Review</i>	1.754	2.065	1.339	0.746	0.711	0.482
<i>Contemporary Accounting Research</i>	2.681	1.774	2.016	3.190	2.594	3.513
<i>European Accounting Review</i>	1.718	1.504	1.057	1.418	0.828	0.871
<i>Journal of Accounting & Economics</i>	3.787	3.507	2.969	7.662	6.834	5.652
<i>Journal of Accounting and Public Policy</i>	1.884	1.478	1.289	1.530	1.030	0.853
<i>Journal of Accounting Research</i>	3.111	2.649	2.071	6.172	5.733	5.425
<i>Journal of Finance</i>	5.685	4.786	6.036	20.973	14.54	21.48
<i>Journal of Financial Economics</i>	4.604	4.028	4.599	13.218	9.920	12.72
<i>Management Accounting Research</i>	3.479	2.715	1.957	2.494	1.913	1.504
<i>Review of Accounting Studies</i>	1.687	1.708	1.576	2.867	2.039	2.284

Source: SCOPUS database, <http://www.journalmetrics.com>, Elsevier, 2017.

CiteScore

In 2016, CiteScore was added to the Scopus metrics. CiteScore measures the citations on articles published in the previous 3 years. All article types are counted. Scopus metrics now include Source Normalized Impact per Paper (SNIP), SCImago Journal Rank (SJR), and citation and document counts and percentage cited (CiteScore). Another way of looking at this is SNIP is article impact, SJR is the journal impact, and CiteScore is a simplified view of the journal’s citation analysis. The following images show the CiteScore trend for *Issues*, and the CiteScore table lists the CiteScore for each journal in the AAA collection indexed in Scopus.

CiteScore trend



Source: CiteScore, Elsevier, 2017.

2016 CiteScore: Accounting Education Journals

Journal	CiteScore	Percentile	Citations/2013-15 docs
1. <i>Journal of Accounting Education</i>	1.09	59%	75/69
2. <i>Accounting Education</i>	0.83	46%	99/119
3. <i>Issues in Accounting Education</i>	0.68	41%	71/104

Source: Scopus, Elsevier, 2017.

Journal	CiteScore, 2017	
	2016 Citations/2013-2015 docs	
<i>Accounting Historians Journal</i>	0.06	2 cites/33 docs
<i>Accounting Horizons</i>	1.67	230 cites/138 docs
<i>Accounting and the Public Interest</i>	0.36	9 cites/25 docs
<i>Accounting Review, The</i>	2.97	739 cites/249 docs
<i>ATA Journal of Legal Tax Research</i>	0.00	0 cites/26 docs
<i>Auditing: A Journal of Practice & Theory</i>	2.50	298 cites/119 docs
<i>Behavioral Research in Accounting</i>	1.48	62 cites/42 docs
<i>Current Issues in Auditing</i>	0.33	19 cites/57 docs
<i>Issues in Accounting Education</i>	0.68	71 cites/104 docs
<i>Journal of the American Taxation Association</i>	1.24	62 cites/50 docs
<i>Journal of Emerging Technologies in Accounting</i>	0.86	18 cites/21 docs
<i>Journal of Financial Reporting</i>	new	new
<i>Journal of Forensic Accounting Research</i>	new	new
<i>Journal of Governmental & Nonprofit Accounting</i>	n/a	n/a
<i>Journal of Information Systems</i>	2.26	165 cites/73 docs
<i>Journal of International Accounting Research</i>	1.03	31 cites/30 docs
<i>Journal of Management Accounting Research</i>	1.27	71 cites/56 docs

POSITIONING IN INTERNATIONAL RANKINGS

Issues in Accounting Education is in a number of international journal rankings, as tracked by the Harzing Journal Quality List (<http://www.harzing.com>, updated April 2017). The following table lists *Issues*' position on selected rankings, along with those of peers in accounting and accounting education. Detailed explanations of the selected rankings follow.

Issues in Accounting Education ranks as A (second on a five-point scale) on the widely followed Australian Business Deans Council (ABDC) journal list. Other international rankings also show *Issues* broadly in line with its peers.

TABLE 5
Issues in Accounting Education in International Rankings

Journal	ABDC 2016	EJL 2016	ESS 2016	HEC 2011	UQ 2011
<i>Issues in Accounting Education</i>	A		2	C	2
Accounting Peers					
<i>Accounting Education</i>	B				
<i>Accounting and the Public Interest</i> †	B				
<i>Accounting Historians Journal</i> †	B			B	3
<i>Accounting Horizons</i> †	A	S	2	B	2
<i>Accounting, Auditing & Accountability Journal</i>	A	S	1	B+	1
<i>Accounting, Organizations and Society</i>	A*	P+	0+	A	1
<i>Auditing: A Journal of Practice & Theory</i> †	A*	P	1	B+	2
<i>Behavioral Research in Accounting</i> †	A	S	2	B+	2
<i>British Accounting Review</i>	A	S	2	B	2
<i>Contemporary Accounting Research</i>	A*	P+	0	A	1
<i>Current Issues in Auditing</i> †	B				
<i>European Accounting Review</i>	A*	P	1	A	2
<i>International Journal of Accounting</i>	A		1	B	4
<i>International Journal of Auditing</i>	A			B	3
<i>Journal of Accounting & Economics</i>	A*	P+	0+	A	1
<i>Journal of Accounting Education</i>	B			C	2
<i>Journal of Accounting and Public Policy</i>	A	S	1	B+	2
<i>Journal of Accounting Research</i>	A*	P+	0+	A	1
<i>Journal of Business Finance & Accounting</i>	A	P	1	B+	2
<i>Journal of Emerging Technologies in Accounting</i> †	C				
<i>Journal of Governmental & Nonprofit Accounting</i> †	B				
<i>Journal of Information Systems</i> †	A		2	B	2
<i>Journal of International Accounting Research</i> †	A	S	2	C	3
<i>Journal of Management Accounting Research</i> †	A	S	1	B+	1
<i>Management Accounting Research</i>	A*	P	1	B+	2
<i>Review of Accounting Studies</i>	A*	P+	0	A	2
<i>The Accounting Review</i> †	A*	P+	0+	A	1

† Denotes the journal is published by the American Accounting Association.

Australian Business Deans Council Journal Rankings List (2016)

The influence of this ranking goes well beyond Australia.

Rank	Interpretation
A*	Best or leading journal in its field—publishes outstanding, original, and rigorous research that will shape the field. Acceptance rates are typically low and the editorial board is dominated by leading scholars in the field or subfield, including from top institutions in the world. Where relevant to the field or subfield, the journal has the highest impact factors or other indices of high reputation.
A	Highly regarded journal in the field or subfield—publishes excellent research in terms of originality, significance, and rigor; has competitive submission and acceptance rates; excellent refereeing process; and, where relevant to the field or subfield, has higher than average impact factors. Not all highly regarded journals have high impact factors, especially those in niche areas.
B	Well-regarded journal in the field or subfield—publishes research of a good standard in terms of originality, significance, and rigor, and papers are fully refereed according to good standards and practices but acceptance rates are higher than for Tiers A* and A. Depending on the field or subfield, will have a modest impact factor and will be ISI-listed.
C	A recognized journal—publishes research that is of a modest standard and/or is yet to establish its reputation because of its newness. This tier is more inclusive than the other categories. Only includes refereed journals.

EJL 2016 — Erasmus Research Institute of Management Journals Listing (The Netherlands)

Rank	Interpretation
P+	Top journals among P
P	Best journals in the field
PA	Top international journals (aspirant)
S	Scientific refereed journals of a recognized academic reputation that do not reach the quality levels of the Primary Set (P)
M*	Top managerial journal

ESS 2016—ESSEC Business School Paris

Rank	Interpretation
0+	Recognized internationally as the best in the discipline
0	Excellence at a level close to the top journals in the field
1	High-level scientific journals of international reputation and circulation
2	Generally national-circulation journals, or international journals of lesser reputation
3	Journals with a very narrow circulation or low profile

HEC 2011—Hautes Études Commerciales de Paris Ranking List

An amalgam of five rankings including *Financial Times*' Journals List (2010), and ABS (Association of Business Schools) (UK) Academic Journal Quality Guide.

Rank	Interpretation
A	Highest quality rating
B+ and B	Intermediate quality ratings
C	Lowest quality rating

UQ 2011—The University of Queensland Adjusted ERA Rankings List

This list is a combination of The University of Queensland 2007 list and the ERA (Excellence in Research for Australia) list. The ERA list is a national ranking.

Rank	Interpretation
1	Highest quality rating, A* ERA
2	Intermediate quality rating, A ERA
3	Intermediate quality rating, B ERA
4	Lowest quality rating, C ERA
