

New Editor-in-Chief sought for LMS Newsletter

The LMS is currently seeking someone to take over when the current Editor-in-Chief, Iain Moffatt, stands down at the end of the year. Iain has provided invaluable leadership and guidance to the current Editorial Board for the last three years. His appointment followed a review of the Newsletter in 2016. Iain and the Board have delivered a refreshed and revived Newsletter which now includes mathematics articles and features and a section for early career researchers, as well as reporting on Society business and news for the membership and further afield. Iain has also been instrumental in introducing a more professional format to the Newsletter and in ensuring that its production is undertaken to the same exacting standards as the process for commissioning content. Many favourable comments have been received about the current Newsletter and in particular the inclusion of mathematics into the format as well as the quality of the content. The Society would like to take this opportunity publicly to thank Iain for his dedication to producing such a successful publication for the Society and for the amount of time he has given to ensuring that the Society has such a high quality Newsletter.

Role descriptor: Editor-in-Chief, LMS Newsletter

The Editor-in-Chief is responsible to the Council of the LMS for chairing the Newsletter Editorial Board. The main duties of the role are: overseeing the commissioning of content for the mathematical features section, overseeing the sourcing of material for other sections, signing off on the content and layout for each bi-monthly issue, chairing the Newsletter Editorial Board which meets two times per year to discuss both ongoing editorial and production issues, and wider strategic matters.

Appropriate candidates may have some of the following attributes: an interest in the Society and its work, editorial experience, the diplomatic skills required to ensure that articles are continuously commissioned and submitted to provide adequate content for each issue of the Newsletter, some experience of LaTeX, copyediting and production, a good eye for design, an understanding of the need to include content which is of interest to a broad constituency of readers across a wide range of subjects, not just with regard to mathematics but also of wider issues which might affect mathematics and mathematicians such as policy matters and the Society's international connections, a knowledge of the Society's activities. Above all, candidates must be prepared to commit the time needed to ensure sufficient content and manage the practicalities of the production of each issue of the Newsletter.

It should be noted that this is an unremunerated role, although reasonable expenses will be paid.

Applications, comprising a CV and a statement on how your experience might fit with the attributes listed above and what you might bring to the role, should be sent to the Executive Secretary at fiona.nixon@lms.ac.uk using the subject line: Editor-in-Chief application **no later than Friday 12 July 2019**.

It is intended that interviews will take place in the week beginning 22 July 2019 with a view to the successful candidate shadowing the current Editor-in-Chief from September/October this year to follow the full production cycle for the January 2020 issue of the Newsletter.

Any person interested in submitting an application, who wishes to discuss the role further may contact the current Editor-in-Chief, Iain Moffatt, by emailing in the first instance to Iain.Moffatt@rhul.ac.uk.

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General Secretary