Editorial

Have I Got a Job for You



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ave I got a job for you. It demands high expertise in your field, openness to new ideas, discernment, time, and skilled communication. There is no pay and I will be the only person other than you who will know that you have done it. Ready to sign up?

The above is a partial description of doing blind peer review. The journal and its readers depend on it. It is a crucial task, but when I ask people to do anonymous peer review, I sometimes feel as if I am distantly echoing Churchill's call to the British people that "I have nothing to offer but blood, toil, tears, and sweat." And yet, scholars rise to the occasion. Each colleague that I ask so to serve almost always says yes, and does it with insight and alacrity.

They know that I send out for peer review, essays that have genuine potential. They are going to see

something, maybe in raw form, that will probably be fresh and interesting. They know that being asked is recognition that they have the expertise to help shape their field, and that such service can be referenced on their resume. They know that they are providing a crucial service for the author, helping her or him to develop the work. They know that they are saving the journal readers' time and spurring their thought. They know that each discipline progresses when the best ideas are brought forward and that such both honors and extends the kingdom. And that last point, most of all, is enough.

Once a year we do publish an august list of peer reviewers who have expertly and generously given of their time in the previous year. A hearty thank-you to each one who so well served in this way in 2013.

James C. Peterson, Editor



Reviewers in 2013

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