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Report of the Journal Editor

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This report is a compilation of activity and statistics for the *American Journal of Pharmaceutical Education* (AJPE) for 2016 (Volume 80). The *Journal* is published in electronic, open access format and housed at www.ajpe.org. A print edition of the entire volume will be available for purchase.

One hundred twenty-eight peer-reviewed manuscripts were published in 10 issues of Volume 80. Viewpoints, reports, and letters also were published (Table 1). In 2016, 587 manuscripts were submitted to the *Journal*. Of these, 26% were accepted for publication. Five hundred forty-four individuals served as manuscript reviewers in 2016. There was one theme issue with the topic of public health.

The *Journal* has established three-year term limits for its editorial board members, with a possible renewal for a second three-year term. This will enable the *Journal* to optimize the talents and interests of American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP) members. Editorial board members are chosen based upon their interest and involvement with the *Journal* as authors and reviewers.

Table 1. Journal Activity in 2016 (Volume 80)

Manuscripts submitted	587
Manuscript acceptance rate, %	26
Manuscripts published	
Research	72
Instructional Design and Assessment	48
Teachers' Topics	3
Special Articles	5
Reviews	8
Statements	6
Theme issue articles	5
Other materials published	
Viewpoints	15
Reports and Minutes	26
Letters	8
No. of Reviewers	544

Associate editors and editorial board members worked on two projects for the *Journal*. One was a revision of the *Journal's* manuscript categories, which are now Reviews, Research, Research Briefs, Educational Briefs, and Commentaries. The second project focused on revising and enhancing the instructions to authors with specific information on the organization of the manuscripts and format for tables and figures. These changes were introduced in the *Journal* last fall, and we have been working closely with authors in implementing these categories and manuscript formats.

At the July 2016 AACP Annual Meeting held at the Anaheim Marriott/Anaheim Convention Center, the editorial team hosted the second annual Joseph T. DiPiro Excellence in Publishing Workshop. The workshop provided authors an overview of the essentials of excellence when submitting manuscripts to AJPE. The workshop also included breakout sessions, during which authors were able to discuss specific issues with the editorial team. There were 58 individuals who attended the workshop.

Each year, the best paper published in the *Journal* is recognized with the Rufus A. Lyman Award. The winner is selected based on utility and significance to pharmacy education, originality, research methodology, and writing style. The Lyman Award Committee, which is appointed by the AACP president and chaired by the *Journal* editor, selects the top paper. Twenty-one papers from Volume 80 were nominated for the Lyman Award, and the winning article was "Development and Application of a Stepwise Assessment Process for Rational Redesign of Sequential Skills-Based Courses" by Casey E. Gallimore, PharmD, MS, Andrea L. Porter, PharmD, and Susanne G. Barnett, PharmD, of the University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Pharmacy.

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