

TO: ALA Council

DATE: January 9, 2025

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Publishing Committee Accomplishments, June 2025-January 2026

- Continued administering the Carnegie-Whitney grant for 2026:
<https://www.ala.org/aboutala/offices/publishing/sundry/alapubawrds/carnegiewhitneypast> Revision of the award rubric by Carnegie-Whitney Award subcommittee is in progress.
- Continued to review and provide feedback about ALA Publishing & Media products (content and marketing).
- The journal publication ethics policy for the association has been added to the draft revision of the ALA Policy Manual approved by Council at this year's meeting.
- The Journal Publication Ethics Policy is now posted on the [ALA Publishing web page](#).
- The Publications Committee and its subcommittees will continue to focus on the following actions:
 1. Adaptation or extension of the Publication Ethics Policy to develop a Monograph Ethics Policy for ALA monograph editors and authors.
 2. Implementation by ALA journal editors and/or editorial boards of publishing ethics policies for their publications based on the association policy.
 3. Encourage the Association to apply for [membership in COPE](#) when they are accepting new members. They are currently reorganizing.
 4. Developing publishing ethics onboarding for new editors—for example, an agreement letter sent by the ALA Publishing Committee to new editors that outlines the policy and shares COPE resources.
 5. Updating the rubric for the Carnegie-Whitney award.

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