Call for Papers

Journal of the American Taxation Association (JATA)

Special Section on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Research



An emerging awareness of issues related to diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) has generated a number of questions and concerns for tax policymakers and practitioners. More research is needed to address the intersection of taxes and DEI. Further, raising awareness of DEI is a strategic initiative of *JATA* and the ATA. As such, *JATA* is calling for papers that inform our understanding of the relation between DEI, tax policy, and the tax profession.

All research methodologies are welcome. Manuscripts will go through *JATA* 's standard review process and are expected to meet the normal standards for publication in the journal. Consistent with *JATA* 's research focus, this Call for Papers will not include manuscripts relating to the role of DEI in tax education, which has other publication outlets.

For the purpose of this Special Section, we view DEI broadly. Groups may be identified by race, ethnicity, caste, gender, sexual orientation, socioeconomic status, physical ability, mental ability, political or religious beliefs and affiliations, country of origin, or other factors as well as by the intersection of two or more of these identities. Possible topics include but are not restricted to:

- Equity effects of tax policies;
- The role of DEI in tax planning, disclosure, and compliance;
- The implications of DEI for judgment and decision-making related to tax issues;
- The role of tax systems in business sustainability practices;
- Bias in the provision of tax advisory services and/or tax authority enforcement efforts; and
- The evolution of research methodologies to identify DEI issues in the tax setting.

Given the timeliness of the topic, we plan to publish papers as they are accepted (while coordinating the timing of acceptances and space availability in individual journal issues) under the "umbrella" of the Call.

Submissions will be screened and assigned to reviewers by editors Amy Hageman (Kansas State University), Dan Lynch (University of Wisconsin-Madison), Stephanie Sikes (University of Illinois Chicago), and Senior Editor Lisa De Simone (The University of Texas at Austin). We will work toward an expedited review process to the extent possible, conditional on the quality of the submission, and we expect authors to resubmit in a timely manner (within three to six months) if invited to submit a revision.

Submissions should be made online at https://aaahq.org/Research/Journals/The-Journal-of-the-American-Taxation-Association. Please include a cover letter indicating that the submission responds to this Call for Papers.

This Call for Papers will remain open through November 1, 2025.