

FROM THE EDITOR

To our readers and writers:

With the support from the Center of Educational Measurement and Evaluation (CEME) at the Cato College of Education in the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, we launched a new journal, *Journal of Applied Educational and Policy Research* (JAEPR), in 2015. I was fortunate to serve as the Editor for this inaugural issue. Since then, I have been serving as the Editor for seven issues. Due to my job relocation, I am stepping down from the Editor's position. I am very glad that Dr. Richard G. Lambert, the Director of CEME, will take over this important task and lead the editorial board.

It has been my great honor and privilege to serve you as the Editor during the past four years. We have experienced tremendous growth in both quantity and quality. The steady growth of this journal would not be possible without you who contribute your works to us and read our published articles. I would like to take this opportunity thank our Associate Editors, Dr. Mark M. D'Amico, Dr. Richard G. Lambert, and Dr. Paul G. Fitchett, who helped me enormously during the review and decision making process. I also want to thank Dr. Rebecca Shore and Dr. Florence martin who edited a special issue on the science of learning and online learning, respectively. My gratitude also goes to the Editorial Advisory Board members: Dr. Leslie R. Zenk, Dr. Gloria D. Campbell- Whatley, Dr. Christopher I Cobitz, Dr. Sandra L. Dika, Dr. Do-Hong Kim, Dr. Christie L. Martin, Dr. Jennifer R. McGee, and Dr. Drew Polly. We also have a group of volunteers who helped us review the manuscripts. They have provided insightful feedback and guidance to our contributors and helped make the articles more rigorous in design and analyses, more thorough in literature review, and more meaningful and accessible to practitioners and policy-makers.

Finally, the publication of this journal would not be possible without the diligent work of our Managing Editors, Ms. Priscilla Baddouh (2015-2017) and Dr. Missy Moore (2017-2019). Both handled the communication between our reviewers and the contributors and copy-edited every single article published. It has been my great pleasure working with them.

I wish a great success of JAEPR under the leadership of Dr. Lambert.

Sincerely,

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Editor