

The Athletic Training Education Journal: Welcoming Some New Additions

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The *Athletic Training Education Journal* (ATEJ) has entered its 5th year. With a new volume come several new and positive changes for the journal. Among these changes are new columns, new personnel, and a new on-line submission system.

New Columns and New Personnel

Two new columns have been added to our journal: 1) Educational Technology and 2) Teaching and Learning. The educational technology column is led by Dr. Ronald Wagner who is currently an Associate Professor in the Department of Health Science and Sports Studies at California University of Pennsylvania. The column focuses on raising awareness of current technologies that have promise in impacting the education process. Dr. Wagner is innovative in his use of educational technology and has been a leading scholar in implementing technologies in both didactic and clinical settings.

The teaching and learning column is led by Dr. David Berry. Dr. Berry has been a member of the editorial board for the ATEJ and is currently an Assistant Professor in the Department of Health Promotion and Human Performance at Weber State University. The column focuses on both broad conceptual issues that affect the teaching and learning process as well as practical strategies to facilitate student learning. In speaking with colleagues when I applied for the editor position with the ATEJ, I learned that many educators are interested in such content. Dr. Berry has a vast amount of teaching experience and has published extensively on teaching and learning issues from both a clinical and didactic standpoint. In this issue of the journal, Dr. Berry has reflected

on some of his recent teaching experiences in an honest and authentic manner; he has introduced the column well and invites others to share their thoughts and experiences.

Dr. Kimberly Peer is the new associate editor for the ATEJ. Dr. Peer is currently an Associate Professor in the School of Health Sciences at Kent State University. Dr. Peer has been a member of the editorial board for the ATEJ and *Journal of Athletic Training* and has published extensively in the area of athletic training education and professional development. I have always been impressed with the quality of Dr. Peer's written work, manuscript reviews, and her enthusiasm for promoting athletic training education.

We cannot operate effectively without good personnel. Dr. Berry, Dr. Peer, and Dr. Wagner are quality individuals who do quality work. Welcome aboard!

New On-line Submission System

The ATEJ now utilizes *eJournalPress* to manage the manuscript submission and review process. The system will allow us to better monitor all phases of our review procedures. Our managing editor, Aaron Blum, has worked diligently to make this change happen. Both Aaron and I have appreciated the professionalism and commitment the *eJournalPress* team has provided to get the ATEJ manuscript system up and running.

Change is both inevitable and important. I encourage any suggestions and thoughts that can facilitate positive change for the ATEJ. Please do not hesitate to share your thoughts with me or any of our editorial staff.

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