

JCP POLICY REGARDING REVISION PLANS FROM EDITOR-ELECT PECHMANN

Before I invite authors to revise and resubmit their manuscripts to JCP, I will ask the authors to explain how they would revise their manuscripts in response to the reviewers' comments and the AE report. In other words, I will ask the authors to submit a Revision Plan. Please note that this is now a routine part of the JCP review process. I will always ask for a Revision Plan if I am considering the possibility of a revise and resubmit decision.

The authors will be asked to provide a two page (or less) Revision Plan within two weeks. We will accommodate some delays if circumstances require it. The revision plan will be shared with the AE, allowing us to make a more informed decision as to whether a revised manuscript has the potential to meet JCP's stringent publication criteria. If an author is extended the opportunity to revise and resubmit a manuscript, the same reviewers and AE will review the revised manuscript and the Revision Plan. The authors may not always be able to follow their Revision Plans completely, but the authors can explain this in their revision notes.

Questions or comments about this process should be directed to JCP Editor-elect Cornelia (Connie) Pechmann at cpechman@uci.edu. Pechmann has been handling new JCP manuscripts since 1/1/12.