Join Our Crew!

Volunteering with H-Asia

H-Asia is eager to collaborate with scholars in our field of study. If you haven't done so, please take time to acquaint yourself with our various activities. We are run by an all-volunteer academic editorial team that offers flexible scheduling and opportunities to work collaboratively with people in your field and to design and develop academic projects.

Service with an H-Net network like ours can be an excellent way to support scholarship and pedagogy, gain experience and academic connections, and drive the field forward. In line with the guidelines of our parent non-profit, H-Net: Humanities and Social Sciences online, our network is an open, moderated forum that makes all of its digital content available for free and is committed to academic and editorial best practices. We are free from spamming, trolling, and narrowly self-promotional behaviors. Our content circulates directly to our subscribers, including hundreds of academic specialists. H-Net provides quick and helpful online training to our editors and sustains an editorial support network. In short, our network represents one of the most reliable, powerful, and open-ended ways to enrich our field of study.

If you are interested in joining our volunteer staff, please note that we require that all volunteers: 1) have regular internet access; 2) can read and write English fluently; 3) can work collaboratively with other scholars as well as independently of them; 4) remain in regular communication with the rest of our staff and H-Net via email; and 5) are active in our field of study.

We are always eager to correspond (editorial-asia@h-net.org) with scholars of any rank who believe they might be interested in volunteering, so please do not hesitate to contact us with questions.

Open Positions

We are particularly interested in taking on scholars who can help develop the following projects and initiatives. We list the positions from what we think we’ll be least to most time-intensive.

- **Announcements:** we would welcome support with circulating academic announcements to our subscribers. This work is light and routine in nature, and can be particularly helpful to junior scholars looking to gain a broad view of the field. Duties include browsing H-Announce for relevant CfPs and approving CfPs that come to our network through our discussion feed.
**Jobs:** we would welcome support with circulating job ads from the H-Net Job Guide to our subscribers. This work is light and routine in nature, and can be particularly helpful to junior scholars looking to gain a broad view of the field. Duties include browsing the H-Net Job Guide for relevant ads.

**Board Members:** we need additional advisory board members who can bring their energies and knowledge of the field to our general efforts. The key requirements are the ability to actively support our editors, remain in reliable email communication, and to help set policy and mediate any rare disputes that arise.

**Line editors:** we need one or two additional editors moderating discussion posts. This work requires checking the moderation queue at least once daily and interacting with members to keep posting in line with our editorial guidelines. We look for colleagues with a focus on Japan or on South East Asia.

**Digital Methods and Projects:** to better help our field keep up with innovations, we would like to recruit an editor who can track and catalog developments in digital methods and projects. This can include building a separate page as part of our Resources Tab, conducting interviews with scholars, and circulating interesting links to our subscribers. Some sample projects are here and here.

**Debate and Discussion Series:** we would be glad to recruit an editor or team of editors who can help us develop a regular series of posts to our subscribers focused on generating debate about scholarship and pedagogy. The work involved includes developing the posts, moderating responses as they come in, and conducting outreach to scholars in the field to encourage their participation. Examples are here, here, and here.

If interested in volunteering, please send an e-mail to editorial-asia@h-net.org with: 1) 200 words about your expertise, how you envision contributing, and a pragmatic assessment of your availability; and 2) a current C.V. Please also be prepared to provide a reference upon request.

More information about volunteering with H-Net is available at Join H-Net.