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Welcome to the first issue of the Journal of Amateur Sport (JAS)! First, I must thank everyone who played an integral role in the development of JAS. Drs. Mark Vermillion, Brian Gordon, Kyle Bunds, and Marion Hambrick were invaluable in their guidance as original members of the editorial and development team. The first editorial board has also played a large part in the excellent quality of the first issue that follows. We hope you enjoy this issue and look forward to receiving your submissions in the future!

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**Mission and Purpose**

The overarching mission of the Journal of Amateur Sport (JAS) is to provide scholars an outlet in which to share scholarship relevant to the amateur sports realm. We define amateur sport as those who participate and govern at the youth, recreational, community, international, and intercollegiate level. We acknowledge the tenuous debate surrounding the amateurism of intercollegiate athletics, thus at this time we welcome examinations that are focused on the less commercialized avenues of college sport participation and governance (especially NCAA Division II, III, and other less publicized governing bodies and settings). Submissions from all disciplines are encouraged, including sociology, communication, and organizational behavior. Similarly, we welcome a wide array of methodological and structural approaches, including conceptual frameworks, narratives, surveys, interviews, and ethnographies.

As an open-access journal, submissions should be of interest to researchers and practitioners alike. In all, the content published in JAS should advance the collective understanding of the participants, coaches, administrators, and/or institutional structures that comprise amateur sports worldwide. We challenge authors to submit creative and nontraditional manuscripts that are still high-quality in nature. Authors
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