

**FORM C: ABDC 2013 JOURNALS LIST REVIEW
RATING UPGRADE SUBMISSION**

***** PLEASE NOTE THAT:** FORM C is designed to formalise requests to the ABDC Journals Review Panel 2013 seeking an **upgrade** in rating of an academic journal which is currently **included and rated** in the **ABDC 2010** list e.g. seeking to raise a rating from a “B” to an “A” journal. Please complete a **separate** form relating to each journal for which you wish to make a submission of this type.

Journal Title:

QC1. FIELD of RESEARCH (FoR) PANEL to which this request is directed (tick one box only):

- 0806 Information Systems
- 1401-1499 Economics
- 1501 Accounting
- 1502 Finance
- 1503 Management
- 1504-07 Marketing/Tourism/Logistics
- 180105/1801025 Business and Taxation Law

QC2. WHAT ABDC 2013 RATING DO YOU PROPOSE FOR THIS JOURNAL?

- A* A B C

QC3. WHAT ABDC 2010 RATING WAS THIS JOURNAL ASSIGNED?

- A* A B C

QC4. WHAT ERA 2010 RATING WAS THIS JOURNAL ASSIGNED?

- A* A B C not applicable

QC5. NOMINATE “THE BEST” COMPARATOR JOURNAL (journal from the ABDC 2010 list that is most similar in research quality):

QC6. JOURNAL INFORMATION

Editor's Name:

Institution:

Web Address:

NATURE OF SUBMISSION

QC7. Primary submitter type (tick one box only)

- Higher Education Institutional Submission (e.g. formal submission from Business Faculty/School)
- Peak Body Submission (e.g. AFAANZ, ANZAM)
- Individual Submission

QC8. Primary submitter:

Institutional Affiliation:

QC9. Are there other signatories to this submission? Yes No

If yes, how many signatories are there (including the primary submitter)?

QC10. Executive Summary (word limit: 250 words fully presented on this page only). In the space below succinctly highlight the key elements of your case for **upgrading the rating** of the designated journal. Please use a “bullet point” style where possible.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: APPENDIX CHECKLIST

The ABDC invites further supplementary and supporting information to be submitted by way of appendices.

QC11. What supplementary information are you supplying (by way of appendices) to support your submission?

The following documents are attached in support of this application (please tick boxes as relevant):

- Appendix C1:** List of Editorial Board Members
- Appendix C2:** Description and Scope of Journal
- Appendix C3:** Recommendations from eminent scholars in the relevant field
- Appendix C4:** Comparisons with existing rated journals
- Appendix C5:** Coverage in review articles
- Appendix C6:** Impact Factors: SSCI or others
- Appendix C7:** Other supporting documentation
- Appendix C8:** Signatory Details – in cases where there are more than one signatory to the submission, list all signatory names and their university or relevant affiliations (this appendix should articulate with the answer given to QC9 above).

Appendix C1: List of Editorial Board Members

The composition of the editorial board of *Feminist Economics* features four Nobel Laureates, Professors George Akerlof, Kenneth Arrow, Amartya Sen and William Baumol. As shown below, the international breadth of board membership is also impressive, including members from Australia, Austria, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Ghana, Italy, Netherlands, Malaysia, Trinidad and Tobago, Sweden, UK and USA. The institutional affiliation of board members includes, among others, the University of Massachusetts, Stanford University, Harvard University and London School of Economics.

The full membership of the editorial board is:

Bina Agarwal (Institute of Economic Growth, University of Delhi, India)
George Akerlof (University of California at Berkeley, USA)
Nikol Alexander-Floyd (Rutgers University, USA)
Irma Arriagada (Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean, Chile)
Kenneth Arrow (Stanford University, USA)
Mina Balamoune-Lutz (University of North Florida, USA)
Nina Banks (Bucknell University, USA)
William J. Baumol (New York University and Princeton University, Emeritus, USA)
Arjun Bedi (Erasmus University Rotterdam, The Netherlands)
Barbara R. Bergmann (University of Maryland and American University, Emerita, USA)
Francine D. Blau (Cornell University, USA)
Cristina Carrasco (University of Barcelona, Spain)
Cecilia Conrad (Pomona College, USA)
Lisa D. Cook (Michigan State University, USA)
Lyn Craig (University of New South Wales, Australia)
Maria Laura Di Tommaso (University of Turin, Italy)
Marianne A. Ferber (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Emerita, USA)
Nancy Folbre (University of Massachusetts Amherst, USA)
Augustin K. Fosu (World Institute for Development Economics Research, Ghana)
Sakiko Fukuda-Parr (The New School, USA)
Alicia Giron (Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico, Mexico)
Sandra Harding (University of California at Los Angeles, USA)
Heidi Hartmann (Institute for Women's Policy Research, USA)
Nancy Hartsock (University of Washington at Seattle, USA)
Susan Himmelweit (Open University, UK)
İpek İlkkaracan (Istanbul Technical University, Turkey)
Joyce P. Jacobsen (Wesleyan University, USA)
Uma Kambhampati (University of Reading, UK)
Edith Kuiper (State University of New York at New Paltz, USA)
Helen E. Longino (Stanford University, USA)
Nora Lustig (Tulane University, USA)
Martha MacDonald (St. Mary's University, Canada)
Lorelei Mendoza (University of the Philippines Baguio, Philippines)

Thandika Mkandawire (London School of Economics and Political Science, UK)
Chandra Talpade Mohanty (Syracuse University, USA)
Jessica Gordon Nembhard (City University of New York, USA)
Keith Nurse (University of the West Indies, Barbados)
Martha Nussbaum (University of Chicago, USA)
Abena D. Oduro (University of Ghana-Legon, Ghana)
Robert A. Pollak (Washington University in St. Louis, USA)
Marilyn Power (Sarah Lawrence College, USA)
Mozaffar Qizilbash (University of York, UK)
Rhoda Reddock (University of the West Indies at St. Augustine, Trinidad and Tobago)
Dorothy Roberts (Northwestern University, USA)
Corina Rodríguez-Enríquez (Interdisciplinary Center for the Study of Public Policy, Buenos Aires, Argentina)
Kanchana Ruwanpura (University of Southampton, UK)
Amartya Sen (Harvard University, USA)
Jean Shackelford (Bucknell University, USA)
Agneta Stark (Dalarna University, Sweden)
Myra H. Strober (Stanford University, USA)
JOMO Kwame Sundaram (United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Malaysia)
Rosalba Todaro (Women's Studies Center, Chile)
Irene van Staveren (Institute of Social Studies, the Netherlands)
Doris Weichselbaumer (University of Linz, Austria)
Maureen Were (Central Bank of Kenya, Kenya)
Patricia Williams (Columbia Law School, USA)
Frances Woolley (Carleton University, Canada)
Jayoung Yoon (Korea Labor Institute, Republic of Korea)

Appendix C2: Description and Scope

Feminist Economics is a peer-reviewed journal that provides an open forum for dialogue and debate about feminist economic perspectives. By opening new areas of economic inquiry, welcoming diverse voices, and encouraging critical exchanges, the journal enlarges and enriches economic discourse. The goal of *Feminist Economics* is not just to develop more illuminating theories, but to improve the conditions of living for all children, women, and men.

Feminist Economics provides an open forum for dialogue and debate about feminist economic perspectives. The journal solicits high quality contributions from a broad spectrum of intellectual traditions in economics. It welcomes the treatment of economic issues from cross-disciplinary and cross-country perspectives. Contributions from countries in the South are especially welcome, as are those from non-economists concerned with economic issues.

Specifically, *Feminist Economics* seeks submissions that:

- * stimulate dialogue and debate on feminist economic perspectives among diverse scholars worldwide
- * extend feminist theoretical and methodological insights into economics
- * promote a rethinking of theory and policy in diverse fields, including those not directly related to gender
- * provide insights into the relationship between gender and power relations in the economy
- * explore the construction and legitimation of economic knowledge, including cultural, institutional, and historical influences
- * advance inquiry into economic issues affecting the lives of all children, women, and men.

The journal also solicits short exploratory essays and comments on previously published articles. Articles should be written clearly and concisely and be accessible both to economists and to scholars in related fields who are concerned with economic issues.

Appendix C3: Recommendations from eminent scholars in the relevant field

The following endorsements are listed on the website for *Feminist Economics* (www.feministeconomics.org, accessed 24 May 2013)

“The way to think about *Feminist Economics* is that there are a lot of very important economic problems that get seriously discussed nowhere else.”

Robert Solow
Nobel Prize for Economics 1987
MIT, USA

“*Feminist Economics* has become, with remarkable speed, a leading journal in economics, vastly enriching the understanding of important economic issues.”

Amartya Sen
Nobel Prize for Economics 1998
Harvard University, USA

“A journal of high scholarly standards on the role of gender in the economy. It meets a need not well served by other journals and should play an increasing part in providing a forum for important research.”

Kenneth Arrow
Nobel Prize for Economics 1972
Stanford University, USA

“An important new voice bringing a fresh perspective to familiar topics and raising new and significant issues for analysis and debate”

Francine D Blau
Cornell University, USA

“Feminist Economics is an important journal. To scholarship in economics it adds a sustained focus on problems of gender, seen from a rich variety of methodological perspectives. To feminist literature it adds rigorous exploration of the economic aspects of women’s inequality. Bold, insightful and wide-ranging, it illuminates issues of urgent importance”

Martha Nussbaum
University of Chicago, USA

“This bright new journal offers its readers the kind of expanded understandings of social relations that are crucial for designing a more just and humane world.”

Sandra Harding
University of California, Los Angeles, USA

Appendix C4:

Relevant disciplines on the ERA 2010 give an “A*” or “A” ranking to the top international journal with a gendered or feminist perspective that is appropriate to their academic field. *Feminist Economics* is a notable exception to this pattern, despite its wide ranging indicators of quality and impact. This means that Australian economists focusing on gendered aspects of theory and policy have no appropriately ranked outlet for economic research publication. Relevant comparator journals with a focus on gender include:

Signs: Journal of Women in Culture and Society, ERA 2010 Rank A
Gender, Work and Organization, ERA 2010 Rank A; ABDC Rank A
Gender and History, ERA Rank A*
Feminist and Psychology, ERA Rank A

As noted in Appendix C6, journal impact factors provide comprehensive comparisons with other relevant business and economic journals.

Appendix C6:

Feminist Economics' ISI one year journal impact factor of 0.617, five year impact factor of 1.211 and Scopus SJR of 0.043 place the journal in the upper tier of economics journals.

-The ISI one year journal impact factor places Feminist Economics at 242, or in the top 28 per cent of the 835 journals ranked on the ABDC list.

-The five year impact factor places the journal at 119 or in the top 15 per cent of ABDC ranked journals.

-The Scopus SJR ranking places Feminist Economics at 148th out of the 835 journals that are currently ranked on the ABDC list, placing it in the top 18 per cent on this indicator.

Feminist Economics ISI journal impact factor of 0.617 compares very favourably with many A* and A ranked journals. For example:

- *Economic Theory* (0.663) – ranked A* on current ABDC list
- *Applied Economics* (0.459) – ranked A on current ABDC list
- *Contemporary Economic Policy* (0.595) – ranked A on current ABDC list;
- *Economics Letters* (0.447) – ranked A on current ABDC list
- *Economic Record* (0.384) – ranked A on current ABDC list
- *Fiscal Studies* (0.447) – ranked A on current ABDC list
- *Journal of Macroeconomics* (0.496) – ranked A on current ABDC list
- *Contemporary Economic Policy* (0.595) - ranked A on current ABDC list

Appendix C7: Other Supporting Documentation

The ranking of Feminist Economics is important to gender equity in the Australian economics community. Mostly Australian women publish in the journal. An electronic search of *Feminist Economics* text suggests that very few men affiliated with an Australian economics department have ever published in this journal¹. The articles that Australian academics contribute to *Feminist Economics* often focus on issues of key importance to Australian women, such as low retirement incomes and gendered patterns of pay. Failure to adequately recognise the importance and status of Australian contributions to the literature and associated policy debates is likely to have detrimental implications for women working in Australian economics departments. Women are already under represented in the staff of economics departments, particularly at levels D and E. Inadequate recognition of research published in a highly regarded and internationally recognised journal could be expected to further contribute to this existing pattern.

¹ The ‘exceptions that prove the rule’ are John E. King from La Trobe University and John Burgess from Newcastle University. A more thorough investigation of institutional affiliations for each article is required to verify the results of an electronic text search.

Appendix C8: Signatory Details

1. Associate Professor Siobhan Austen, Curtin University of Technology
2. Associate Professor Therese Jefferson, Curtin University of Technology
3. Associate Professor Rachel Ong, Curtin University of Technology
4. Professor Alison Preston, Curtin University of Technology
5. Professor Rhonda Sharp OAM, University of South Australia
6. Dr Valerie Adams, University of South Australia

Copies of emails:

Therese Jefferson

Dear Siobhan,

Please accept this email as confirmation that I agree to Cesignatory status¹ on our submission to have the ABDC ranking of Feminist Economics upgraded to A.

Kind regards,

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Rachel Ong

To the Australian Business Deans Council:

I agree to signatory status of Form C regarding the journal Feminist Economics submitted by Primary submitter Siobhan Austen.

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To: siobhan.Austen@cbs.curtin.edu.au

Dear Siobhan

Just confirming that I agree to be a signatory to the submission form C about Feminist Economics by Siobhan Austen.

Many thanks

Alison Preston

Rhonda Sharp:

Dear A/Professor Austen

I agree to the “signatory” status of Form ‘C’ regarding the journal *Feminist Economics* submitted by Primary submitter Siobhan Austen.

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Dear Siobhan,

I agree to signatory status on Form C to be submitted by you requesting an upgrade of the journal 'Feminist economics' from B to A ranking.

Kind regards,

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