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As a publication of the American Accounting Association, the high standards applicable to the journals of the Association will be maintained. For a manuscript to be acceptable for publication, the research question should be of interest to the intended readership, the research should be well designed and well executed, and the material should be presented effectively and efficiently.

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The following guidelines should be followed for submitting manuscripts:

- 1. New and Revised manuscripts are submitted using the Manuscript Submission and Peer Review System, at http://jmar.allentrack.net. The site contains detailed instructions regarding the preparation of files for submission. To ensure anonymous review, the title page is submitted as a separate file from the manuscript text.
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- 2. Manuscripts that pass the initial review are sent to an editor and a minimum of two reviewers for formal review.
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- 4. Requested revisions are returned to the same reviewers. In addition to the revised manuscript, the author(s) should submit responses to the reviewer comments that restate the comments and identify how and where the comment is addressed in the revision.
- 5. The process will continue as described above until a final publication decision is made.
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Mathematical notation should be employed only where its rigor and precision are necessary, and in such circumstances authors should explain the principal operations performed in narrative format. Equations should be numbered in parentheses flush with the right-hand margin. Notation should be avoided in footnotes. Use standard mathematical notation and symbols. Do not use wingdings, geometric shapes, or images.

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