Editor’s Welcome

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Dear reader:
We have started a new year, and with the new year comes the second volume of Journal of Prison Education and Reentry.

We have received numerous messages from around the world following the release of the first issue. Some of these messages can be seen on our Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/JournalofPrisonEducationandReentry), but others have been received through our Twitter account (@JPERatBOAP). We are inspired by your feedback, and these low threshold social media constitute a good opportunity to share your experience of the journal with us, and also to comment and discuss the content of the journal.

As we have announced, the contributions for the following volumes will be published instantly as soon as they have been through the editorial process. There will be no deadlines, and no queuing for publication. This is one of the benefits of online publishing. We are not presenting a complete issue at this time, but the contributions that are cleared through the editorial process. This will save time for the authors, who do not have to wait to see their work in public, and the readers will have access to the full version of a paper as soon as the quality control has been completed. We have now received the so called DOI-code for JPER. DOI is a unique document identifier attached to each publication, and should make it even easier to get access to the articles published by the JPER. The cost of the DOI is generously covered by the University Library of the University of Bergen.

Search engines (such as Google and Google Scholar) should now recognize both the journal as such, and will also return the individual papers of the journal. Some of the more advanced, scholarly search engines, like MedLine, ERIC etc, are waiting for a larger volume of journal articles and more issues to be presented before they will index us. Hopefully we will be recognized during the year when we have published enough high quality papers. We have several manuscripts in the review process, and if they hold up to the standards of the journal, they will be available to you over the next couple of months.