

State and Local Government Review

Call for Papers—Symposium on Performance Management in State and Local Government

While performance measures are widely used in state and local governments, the extent and quality of implementation vary widely. Much can be learned through the advancement of theory and scholarship. In recognition of this, the editors of *State and Local Government Review* are soliciting proposals for a special issue to be published in late 2021.

All methodological approaches are welcome. The context for the research may be state and local government in the United States, or subnational government around the globe. The journal seeks original research articles (approximately 8,000 words) as well as contributions to the new *Field Notes* section, which publishes 4,000-word research notes and case studies that shed new empirical light on state and local government. Potential topics might include but are not limited to:

- Transparency and performance information
- Strategic planning and performance measurement
- Fostering the use and usefulness of performance data for management
- Best-practices for data review routines and performance-based learning
- The design and use of performance systems, such as CitiStat, CompStat, or AgencyStat, in state/provincial or local government, and change in these systems over time
- Effective performance contracting with private and nonprofit service providers or collaborators
- Performance appraisal systems that help motivate and better manage state or local government employees

Submissions for the special issue should advance the theoretical and empirical understanding of the field. Each manuscript should include clear implications for future research as well as the professional practice of performance management in state and/or local government.

Proposals should be about 1,000 words and explain the theoretical and methodological approach(es) for the research. Email proposals to slgr@uga.edu no later than March 1, 2021. Authors whose papers are accepted are expected to submit completed manuscripts no later than June 15, 2021. All contributions to the special issue will be peer reviewed. The submission site can be reached from the journal's website: <https://journals.sagepub.com/home/slg>.

Questions about the symposium should be sent to the co-editors, Kimberly Nelson and Eric Zeemering at slgr@uga.edu.

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