FREQUENCY OF FPB FACULTY PUBLICATIONS BY JOURNAL FROM 2007-2014

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The purpose of this report is to provide Frances Payne Bolton (FPB) School of Nursing faculty and postdoctoral researchers with a historical reference to the frequency of publication (i.e., the number of accepted and published faculty manuscripts) by journal or book publisher between the years 2007 and 2014. In addition, each journal’s 5-year Journal Impact Factor (JIF) is listed when available, or the 2014 JIF rating is listed when a 5-year JIF is not available.

According to Thomson Reuters’ Journal Citation Reports (JCR), the 5-Year Journal Impact Factor is the average number of times articles from a journal published in the past five years have been cited in the JCR year. The 5-year impact factor calculation was introduced by Thomson Reuters in 2007. For journals in subjects where citation activity continues to rise through several years, this metric allows more of their total citation activity to be included in a critical performance metric.

Only the top 808 (54%) of a total of 1,498 FPB faculty manuscripts known to be accepted for publication from 2007-2014 are included in this report, with the cutoff being no fewer than 2 published faculty manuscripts for a given journal/publisher; the remaining journals/publishers accepted only 1 FPB manuscript each during this 7-year period, and were not included.

How the report was compiled

The report was originally compiled in early 2015 by Ben Margevicius of our School’s IT Department from the ongoing database of FPB faculty publications. Multiple entries were combined when it was determined that a number of journals had been entered into the database several times with slight variations in spelling caused by inputting errors. Matt McManus edited that list, along with some formatting help from Dr. Kathy Wright, and added the impact factor ratings using current listings from the Journal Citation Reports and ResearchGate websites.

What we found

Over half (808, 54%) of the total 1,498 FPB faculty manuscripts accepted for publication from 2007-2014 were published by only 128 journals or other publishers. Very few of that number—less than 5 in all—were book publishers or other non-journal publishers, so the true focus of this list is on journals.

Top 10/Top 20 journals for FPB

Of the 128 journals/publishers we listed, the top 10 journals in terms of frequency of FPB faculty publication acceptance on this list published 266 FPB manuscripts from 2007-2014. Those journals in descending order were Nursing Education Perspectives, Western Journal of Nursing Research, The Gerontologist, Applied Nursing Research, Archives of Psychiatric Nursing, Issues in Mental Health Nursing, American Journal of Critical Care, Journal of Hospice and Palliative Care Nursing, AACN Advanced Critical Care, and Journal of Nursing Measurement.
When you include the next 10 journals in terms of frequency, you add an additional 107 FPB manuscripts published. Those journals in descending order were *Annals of Behavioral Medicine, International Nursing Review, Advances in Neonatal Care, Journal of Nursing Management, Journal of Professional Nursing, Biological Research in Nursing, Critical Care Nurse, Home Healthcare Nurse, Journal of Nursing Education,* and *Research in Nursing and Health.*

Combining these two tiers of journals, the top 20 journals accepted a total of 368 FPB faculty manuscripts for publication from 2007-2014, which is nearly 25% of the total number of all (1,498) FPB faculty’s published manuscripts over a 7-year period. Clearly, a relatively small number of journals have accepted a disproportionately high number FPB manuscripts for publication from 2007-2014.

**In terms of 5-year Journal Impact Factor, here are the 12 journals with the highest JIF ratings among the 128 journals/publishers in this report:**

*Circulation* (15.200)  
*Critical Care Medicine* (6.290)  
*American Journal of Public Health* (5.100)  
*Annals of Behavioral Medicine* (4.800)  
*Health Affairs* (4.880)  
*Journal of Pain* (4.577)  
*Journal of Cardiac Failure* (3.690)  
*Clinical Neurophysiology* (3.360)  
*International Journal of Nursing Studies* (3.207)  
*Journal of Pain and Symptom Management* (3.080)  
*Oncology Nursing Forum* (3.080)  
*The Gerontologist* (2.940)

Of these, two of the journals were among the top 20 in terms of FPB publication acceptance from 2007-2014: *The Gerontologist,* which published 35 FPB manuscripts, and the *Annals of Behavioral Medicine,* which published 12 FPB manuscripts.

**Conclusion**

In this report, we find that a disproportionately high number of FPB manuscripts have been accepted by a relatively small number of journals from 2007 to 2014. Further, of the top 20 journals in this report in terms of FPB faculty manuscript publication, only two of those journals are among the top 12 in terms 5-year Journal Impact Factor. Still, it should be noted that multiple FPB manuscripts have been accepted in some of the higher-ranked JIF journals; for example, *Journal of Pain and Symptom Management* and *Oncology Nursing Forum* each published 8 FPB manuscripts, and *Journal of Cardiac Failure* published 7 FPB manuscripts. Opportunities for future FPB faculty publications may yet be found among the journals with lower frequencies of acceptance; perhaps some of those journals have simply been overlooked because of faculty tendencies to favor certain journals for manuscript submission that have become entrenched over the years.