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About the Journal and Editors

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The *Urban Education Research & Policy Annuals (UERPA)* is a graduate student journal that is published annually by the Urban Education Collaborative at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. This double-blind peer reviewed journal will consist of empirical and theoretical research written by masters and doctoral-level students in the areas related to urban education. The *UERPA* includes original articles, brief reports, and book reviews in the areas of educational reform, educational equity for underrepresented groups, racially diverse perspectives, multiculturalism, teacher education models, student achievement, urban school populations, and academic and social needs for urban students. Articles on other topics will be accepted if they have a clear relationship to research, policy, or practice in urban education.

Graduate students in education and public policy programs in the United States and abroad are invited to submit articles for review to the *UERPA*. Submissions will be reviewed by doctoral students under the guidance of full-time faculty in the Urban Education Program at the College of Education at University of North Carolina at Charlotte. Consistent with the policies of most journals in the field, articles submitted will either be "accepted," "recommended for revision and resubmission," or "not accepted."

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