

The Evolution of Publications from Presentations

Summary Results of Baseline Survey

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Background

Objective: To understand and document the evolution of publications from presentations made at the 2000 meeting of the International Association for Landscape Ecology (Fort Lauderdale, FL).

Rationale: Information about publication success rate, time and path to publication, and publication outlets can be used to identify successful publication strategies. Such information will be useful for graduate education and professional development.

Method: During the summer of 2000, I administered a survey to gather baseline information about presentations at the 2000 International Association for Landscape Ecology (IALE). I will administer annual follow-up surveys to determine the evolution of work from presentation to publication.

Reporting: I will post findings at www4.ncsu.edu/~grhess/research/pubpresent. I will send written summary reports to anyone who requests a copy on the survey. Ultimately, I will submit findings for publication.

Privacy Statement: Individual responses will not be identified in any reports or publications derived from this work. Responses will be reported only in statistical aggregates.

Disclaimer: Although I have been an IALE member since 1990, this survey is not being conducted for or on behalf of the IALE.

Summary Results

Defintition: "Core material" is the main finding or insight of the work presented.

- » 200 surveys were sent out; 159 (80%) were returned.
- » 70% were presenting their core material for the first time (n=159).
- » The core material presented at the 2000 meeting ... (mark **all** that apply) (n=156)
 - [5%] was published before the IALE meeting.
 - [4%] has been published since the IALE meeting.
 - [11%] was submitted for publication before the IALE meeting.
 - [8%] has been submitted for publication since the IALE meeting.
 - [68%] will be submitted for publication.
 - [8%] will not be submitted for publication.
- » Core material from the presentation was, or will be, submitted to ... (n=137)
 - [96%] a peer-reviewed journal
 - [5%] book chapter
 - [7%] conference proceeding
 - [6%] popular journal or newspaper
 - [12%] have submitted or are considering submission to *Landscape Ecology*
- » Core material from this presentation will be submitted ... (n=105)
 - [83%] within one year
 - [14%] within two years
 - [3%] within three to four years
- » What is the very next thing you expect to do with this core material? (n=159)
 - [47%] refine with further research
 - [3%] poster presentation at another conference
 - [11%] oral presentation at another conference
 - [33%] submit for publication
 - [6%] I will do nothing further with this core material

Next Step

The first annual follow-up survey will be distributed in July 2001.
I look forward to your responses!!