Welcome

Thank you for reading our inaugural Management Communication Quarterly newsletter. We will use these newsletters to share journal information with our readers and reviewers and to make you aware of upcoming papers, special issues, and other MCQ news.

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Introducing some of the team

James R. Barker has been editor of Management Communication Quarterly since 2005 and is a Professor of Strategy at the Waikato Management School in New Zealand. Professor Barker’s research interests concern the role of strategy in the development of sustainable knowledge, innovation, and change initiatives and the consequences of these initiatives on organizational governance systems, markets, and practices.

Kathleen J. Krone (Ph.D., the University of Texas at Austin, 1985) is a professor in the Department of Communication Studies at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. She has authored and co-authored forty publications including journal articles, book chapters, essays and book reviews. She is a past chair of the Organizational Communication Division of the National Communication Association. As Forum Editor, Kathy has enjoyed working with many colleagues in the U. S. and abroad to provide leadership for discussions concerning new directions in leadership research, organizational communication scholars as public intellectuals, and diverse voices and alternative rationalities in organizational communication research. Her current research projects include an exploration of leadership and transnational feminist networks, stakeholder turning points in a planned public involvement process and managerial conflict in Sino-American joint ventures.

About the journal  The editorial board  Manuscript submission
Shelley Gilbert has worked as Editorial Assistant on Management Communication Quarterly since November 2007 when she returned to Waikato University to complete her Masters in Management Studies. Shelley holds bachelor qualifications in Political Science and Management Communication. Having worked in the fields of sports nutrition, the New Zealand fashion industry and more recently with New Zealand’s Inland Revenue Department, Shelley is keen to pursue studies into the impact large organizations play in their many societies, and the changing nature of how they perceive their responsibilities and role in these societies.

News snippets

We are pleased to announce that the article of the year award for Volume 21 of Management Communication Quarterly goes to Professor Graham Sewell of the Management and Marketing Department at the University of Melbourne, Australia, for his paper, “The Fox and the Hedgehog Go to Work: The Natural History of Workplace Collusion.” Graham’s paper appeared in our February, 2008, issue.

Graham will receive a plaque and cash award from our sponsor, Sage Publications.

We also want to extend a very special note of appreciation and thanks to Shiv Ganesh, Kevin Barge, and Dennis Tourish for the time and energy they devoted to serving on this year’s selection committee and for developing the award process.

MCQ to Receive Initial Impact Factor in 2010

Management Communication Quarterly was included in Thompson Scientific in 2006, and we will receive our first impact factor rating in 2010 after the standard three year evaluation period. Thompson Scientific will calculate MCQ’s impact rating during 2009 and announce the rating in May of 2010.

Along with our success in joining Thompson Scientific, MCQ was included in the PsychINFO database the Social Science Citation Index in 2007. We have also seen steady improvement in MCQ’s rating among global rating sources and among national research assessment journal quality reports. MCQ was given a Tier 2 rating in the most recent UK Research Assessment Exercise ranking list for Business and Management journals. MCQ also received a B rating in the Australian Business Deans Council for their Business and Management journal rankings. Both of these ratings signal the growing recognition of MCQ as we progress toward our first impact factor rating.

MCQ Turnaround Time

MCQ’s present turnaround time is 74 days from initial submission to first decision letter.

August, 2008, special issue available now!

Organizational Rhetoric: Bridging Management and Communication Scholarship

Guest Editors:
John A. A. Sillince, University of Strathclyde
The special issue of Management Communication Quarterly (MCQ), “Organizational Rhetoric: Bridging Management and Communication Scholarship” (Volume 22, issue 1, August 2008), seeks to bridge the gulf that exists between management and communication scholarship with a focus on organizational rhetoric. Although management and communications scholars have largely occupied two separate spheres of research, the rare occasions when they come together have produced foundational insights. Despite the obvious success of infusing rhetorical theory into mainstream organization theory, there remains much that organization theorists can learn from communication scholars who emphasize rhetorical analyses in their research. The intent of this special issue of Management Communication Quarterly is to foster more communicative interaction between these two scholarly traditions.

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Organizational Rhetoric: Bridging Management and Communication Scholarship, John A. A. Sillince and Roy Suddaby

The Application of Rhetorical Theory in Managerial Research: A Literature Review, E. Johanna Hartelius and Larry D. Browning

Institutional Field Dynamics and the Competition Between Institutional Logics: The Role of Rhetoric in the Evolving Control of the Modern Corporation, Sandy Edward Green, Jr, Marin Babb, and C. Murat Alpaslan

Developing the Political Perspective on Technological Change Through Rhetorical Analysis, Gillian Symon

In Search of Subtlety: Discursive Devices and Rhetorical Competence, Andrea Whittle, Frank Mueller and Anita Mangan

Are We There Yet? Are We There Yet? Charles Conrad and Ryan Malphurs

This issue also features a special Forum on Meaningful Work and included renowned scholars from across the Organizational Communication Field.

Introduction to the Forum on Meaningful Work Studies in Organizational Communication: Setting an Agenda, Theodore E. Zorn and Nikki Townsley

Meaningful Work and Organizational Communication: Questioning Boundaries, Positionalities, and Engagements, Kirsten J. Broadfoot, David Carlone, Caryn E. Medved, Mark Aakhus, Elena Gabor, and Karen Taylor

Cultural Discourses and Discursive Resources for Meaningful Work: Constructing and Disrupting Identities in Contemporary Capitalism, Timothy Kuhn, Annis G. Golden, Jane Jorgenson, Patrice M. Buzzanell, Brenda L. Berkelaar, Lorraine G. Kisselburgh, Sharon Kleinman, and Disraelly Cruz

The Politics of Meaningful Work: Navigating the Tensions of Narcissism and...
Condescension While Finding Meaning in Work, Daniel J. Lair, Suchitra Shenoy, John G. McClellan, and Tammy McGuire

Forum Conclusion: A Response to These Essays and a Prologue to Further Investigations, George Cheney and Majia Nadesan

Available online at http://mcq.sagepub.com/content/vol22/issue1/

Papers in press
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Articles
Discrete, sequential, and follow-up use of information and communication technology by experienced ICT users. Keri Stephens, Jan Sornes, Ronald Rice, Larry D. Browning, and Alf Sornes

When work is home: Agency, structure, and contradictions. Jennifer Butler and Daniel Modaff

Working with tensions: Materiality, discourse, and (dis)empowerment in occupational identity negotiation among higher education fund raisers. Rebecca Meisenbach

Research Note
An exploratory study of the relationships between Theory X/Y assumptions and superior communicator style. Kevin Sager

Forum Introduction
COMMUNEcating in the spaces in-between: Creating new understandings of organizing and communicative practice around the globe. Natalie Nelson-Marsh, Kirsten Broadfoot, and Debashish Munshi

Forum Essay
A mosaic of visions, daydreams, and memories: Diverse inlays of organizing and communicating from around the globe. Kirsten Broadfoot, Tom Cockburn, Cheryl Cockburn-Wootten, Maria do Carmo Reis, Dhruva Gautam, Anuradha Malshe, Debashish Munshi, Natalie Nelson-Marsh, Jenkeri Okwori, Mary Simpson, and Nidhi Srinivas

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Articles
Exploring the Concept of ‘Profession’ For Organizational Communication Research: Institutional Influences in a Veterinary Organization. John Lammers and Mattea Garcia

“In Case You Didn’t Hear Me The First Time”: An Examination of Repetitious Upward Dissent. Jeff Kassing

Conversing About Performance: Discursive Resources for the Appraisal Interview. Michael Gordon and Lea Stewart

Employee Families and Organizations as Mutually Enacted Environments: A Sensemaking Approach to Work-Life Interrelationships. Annis Golden
Attraction to Organizational Culture Profiles: Effects of Realistic Recruitment and Horizontal and Vertical Individualism-Collectivism. William Gardner, Brian Reithel, Richard Foley, Claudia Cogliser, and Fred Walumbwa

Forum Essay

Imagining Organizational Communication as a Decolonizing Project: In Conversation with Broadfoot, Munshi, Mumby and Stohl. Diane Grimes and Patricia Parker

Book Review


MCQ Holiday Period

Please note that MCQ will observe the regular summer holiday period in New Zealand during December (last half of the month), 2008, and January, 2009. We will respond to journal business as rapidly as we can during this time, but please be mindful that some delays will occur.