

Materials Horizons & Nanoscale Horizons Community Boards – Call for Nominations

FAQs

What is the role of the Community Board?

The purpose of the Community Board is to provide a channel for communication between the materials or nanoscience student and early career researcher community and the journals' Executive Editor and Editorial Boards, and also to facilitate student, postdoctoral and early career researcher engagement with the journals.

What are the expectations of Community Board members?

- They will provide feedback and advice on the perception of the journal within their community.
- They will actively promote the journal to potential and existing authors, readers and reviewers including on journal visibility campaigns such as [Community Board Editor's Choice collections](#)
- They will suggest topics and potential authors for Focus Articles ([Focus Articles](#) are editorial or concept piece articles designed to explain or clarify specific topics within the materials science field).
- They will suggest education-focused initiatives that they feel would be of benefit to the materials or nanoscience community.

How does the Community Board differ from the journal's Editorial and Advisory Boards?

The Community Boards are designed to complement the journals' Editorial and Advisory Boards. The Community Boards will not be expected to directly contribute to the strategy of the journals, advise on journal policies or be expected to review manuscripts for the journals. They will be consulted for ideas on how the journals can support early career research and promotion and visibility of the journals within their communities.

What is the term of service of the Community Board?

Community Board membership is regularly reviewed as members move through their career. Further calls for nomination will be advertised when the need arises.

Will the Community Board meet formally?

The Community Boards will not meet formally, but we expect members of the journals' Editorial Office and Editorial and Advisory Boards will meet with Community Board members where possible at relevant conferences and events.

What benefits will I receive as a Community Board Member?

- You will be part of an engaged and enthusiastic group of early career researchers and students who are able to assist in shaping the development of a leading materials science or nanoscience journal. The Editorial Office will seek feedback and advice from you on the perception of the journal within your community, with a particular focus on educational initiatives that will directly benefit you and your community.
- Community Board members will be offered a complimentary introductory membership to the Royal Society of Chemistry, at an appropriate level of membership, for the first year of their term as a Community Board member.
- Community Board members will receive a free personal subscription to the journal for the duration of their term as a Community Board member.
- Community Board members will have the opportunity to meet with members of the Editorial Office, and Editorial and Advisory Boards where possible at conferences and events.
- Your name will appear on the journal website.

For more information about the journal and for a list of current Community Board members, please visit the journal webpage at: rsc.li/materials-horizons and rsc.li/nanoscale-horizons.