

## **HAS Publication Policy for The Journal and HAS Reports**

On Thursday, October 29, 2015 the Board of Directors of the Houston Archeological Society (HAS) met to discuss forward publication policy for both authors and subject content for future issues of the Society's major publications, The Journal and HAS Special Reports. The Board unanimously agreed to the following policy:

1. First preference in terms of publication will be given to HAS members on subjects of archeological interest in the Houston / Gulf Coast region.
2. Second priority will be given to papers submitted by HAS members on topics of archeological interest from the State of Texas.
3. Third priority will be given to articles by HAS members on archeological subjects outside the State of Texas and outside the United States. Thus, any HAS member who has worked on an archeological project elsewhere in the U.S. or in the world may submit articles for publication in The Journal or as a future HAS Special Report.
4. Lastly, we will include papers by non-HAS members as long as they are on an archeological subject within the State of Texas. Thus the HAS will not have a "pay-to-play" policy but is open to submissions from any non-member. However, papers on topics outside Texas and/or the U.S. will be reserved for HAS members.

The above prioritization will be given to each HAS publication and papers from a higher priority will not be "bumped" to a later issue by a paper that comes from a lower priority status.

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