Front Matter Editor's Introduction

The Journal of Socialist Studies is pleased to announce that we are now publishing articles on a "rolling basis". What does this mean? First and foremost, it means that we will be able to publish articles in a more timely fashion and that critical research and analysis will be available to our community faster and in more "digestible" bits. As articles are received and approved for publication (double-blind peer review for scholarly articles and editorial approval for others), they will be released on the Journal website. At the end of each calendar year, we will gather all the content together in a single volume.

There are other reasons that we have decided to move to the rolling publication model. In addition to timeliness, it allows authors to report publications sooner and to share their work within their networks. We also hope that it will ease the burden on reviewers, spreading requests out over time. Finally, it provides the Journal with a mechanism to stay in more frequent contact with our community. We will continue to offer the opportunity to publish one-time release, Special Issues under Guest Editors, such as our recent Special Issue on the Ghadar Movement.

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