Title: Ethics in Management Research: Collusion, Competition, or Collaboration?

Location: Friday August 7th at 3:30-5:30 PM in Room 002 Vancouver Convention Center

Sponsors: AMLE: Academy of Management Learning & Education; AMP: Academy of Management Perspectives; AAT: All-Academy

Theme Overview:

The limited availability of publication space in reputable “top-tier” management journals combined with growing pressure to publish in these journals may be creating an ethically challenging environment for scholars. While young academics may be familiar with the ethical principles of their professions, they may struggle to put these principles into practice in a context increasingly shaped by intense competition, high journal rejection rates, and rising expectations from their institutions. As a result, scholars must deal with numerous ethical dilemmas that arise during research collaboration, data gathering, analysis, manuscript construction, and the review and publication process. In this workshop, a panel of editors for the upcoming special sections of the Academy of Management Perspectives and Academy of Management Learning and Education journals will provide a forum to examine and discuss some of the implications of the “practical side” of a number of ethical dilemmas and opportunities for future research on the topic. One premise behind the workshop is to call into question presumptions that scholars acquire “research ethics” during graduate training and whether we can take for granted that research norms and values are commonly and universally applied by scholars. We offer a discussion through an open forum Q&A session with the editor panel regarding directions for future research for the special sections of the sponsoring journals. We conclude with roundtable breakout discussions, each led by a panelist and focused on a specific aspect of the issues presented for more detailed discussion of potential future research opportunities.

Organizers and Panelists:

Chris Quinn Trank, Vanderbilt University, & Editor-in-Chief, Academy of Management Learning & Education