

***Yearbook of Biological Anthropology* Editors' Report for 2025**
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This year we had four submissions carry over from the 2024 issue, and another five new articles that were formally solicited for publication for the current (2025) issue. We faced an unexpected degree of attrition, and ultimately two submissions had to be postponed until the 2026 issue, two submissions are undergoing major revisions and will be published in the 2026 issue, and two had to be withdrawn. Three articles were submitted in time for publication. They are:

Alexis Brewis, *Stigma as a Core Construct for Biological Anthropology: What It Offers and Why It Matters*. (Human Biology; Associate Editors Alejandra Nuñez de la Mora and Zachary Dubois)

Charles C. Roseman and Benjamin M. Auerbach, *Evolving a Field: Can Evolutionary Theory Provide What the Study of Human Evolution Requires?* (Paleoanthropology; Sheela Athreya and Graciela Cabana functioned as associate editors)

Alanna E.F. Rudzik, *Embodiment and Lived Experience in Human Biology* (Human Biology; Associate Editors Alejandra Núñez de la Mora and Zachary Dubois)

We would also like to thank Katie Hinde for providing the cover photo for this year's issue of the *Yearbook*. Given the papers on stigma and embodiment, along with the unsettling political climate in the U.S., a cover image of an actual dumpster fire was very fitting.

We also received four auto submissions, three of which we declined to publish and one that is being finalized is expected to be submitted in May of 2026.

We adjusted our process of inviting and communicating with authors to try to prevent the attrition rate we experienced this past year and are now doing monthly check-ins with the authors who are planning to submit papers for the 2026 issue. As of February 2026, nine new manuscripts are on track to be submitted by the May 31st deadline along with the aforementioned auto submission. In addition, two revised manuscripts, and two papers that were postponed from 2025 are expected. We therefore anticipate a robust issue of the *Yearbook* for 2026.

Submission Process with Wiley

The *Yearbook* was expected to transition to the Research Exchange submission process in October of 2025, but we were informed on October 30th that our migration was postponed until February of 2026. As of February 23, we have not heard any news from Wiley on the *Yearbook's* migration to the new system.

We would like to thank the authors for publishing their forward-thinking work in the *Yearbook*, and we especially thank the reviewers for their detailed and thoughtful feedback that supports the high quality of scholarship that the *Yearbook* is known for.