**NCDA COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT**

**CAREER DEVELOPMENT QUARTERLY**

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**Committee Activities to Date**

* 2024: completed publication of 4 issues of CDQ
* 2025: Successfully published 2 issues of CDQ with issue 3 coming in September and issue 4 in December 2025
* CDQ manuscript submissions in 2025: 203 (up 32% in 2025)
* First decision for manuscripts in peer review: 83 days (down from 302 days in 2023 and 100 days in 2024)
* Submission to first online date: 204 (down 60% from 2024)
* Subject category ranking in 2024: 54/116 (up from 59/114 in 2023)
* Supported graduate students in writing CDQ spotlight articles for Career Developments
* NCDA conference – two presentations on publishing in CDQ
* Began working on special issue with guest editors
* Navigated transition from ScholarOne to Research Exchange submission and review platform

**Projected Plan/Work Completed through September 30**

* Invite new and returning editorial board and ad hoc reviewers to join CDQ for a 2 year term
* Continue reviewing manuscripts