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After four years as Managing Editor of this journal, Usree Bhattacharya is leaving UC Berkeley and moving to Indiana University of Pennsylvania. Usree has been a wonderful managing editor: she served as a patient mediator between our editorial office and the eScholarship office at a time of massive overhaul of the University of California’s electronic services; she served as efficient liaison with authors and referees, and she formatted and posted the accepted articles in a timely fashion. Her good humor and perseverance were invaluable in juggling the needs of guest editors of the three special issues we have published in recent years, and in keeping the editorial panel abreast of the journal’s vital statistics. We will miss her and we wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

Usree will be replaced by Kimberly Vinall, who was this past three years copyeditor for the journal and will be taking over as managing editor. I welcome the opportunity of working with Kimberly. She has been a most careful and rigorous copyeditor and I have valued her responsible and reliable reading of manuscripts. The new copyeditor will be Adam Mendelson, whom I also welcome on board.

I look forward myself to my continued editorship of this journal with Kimberly and Adam and to the coming academic year 2013-2014. And, of course, I encourage you to submit your research work or reports of your teaching practice to our $L2$Journal.

Cordially,
Claire Kramsch,
$L2$ Journal Editor