

7. Niessen, "H-Net and the Republic of Letters."
8. As of August 2003, the state lists were California, Florida, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Louisiana, Maryland, Michigan, New Mexico, Ohio, Tennessee, and Texas.
9. Susan Boettcher, editor of H-German, e-mail message to author, June 17, 2003. A survey of moderators and review editors of the various H-Net lists would be an interesting document and needs to be the object of a future investigation. In the case of the present study, the authors relied on e-mail contact with a small number of editors. Informal questions were presented to the first editor contacted. The initial list of questions was subsequently refined and sent to two other editors. Choice of contact persons was determined, in part, by prior association or simply by accessibility of the editor. An important feature of the "new medium" is that H-Net editors are at once more present and more accessible in H-Net reviews than is the case with print publications.
10. Stacy A. Cordery, review editor of H-Women, e-mail message to author, Aug. 13, 2003.
11. Susan Boettcher, e-mail message, June 17, 2003.
12. Ibid.
13. The administrative and postage costs related to reviewing have begun to strain the resources of H-Net. In an attempt to ease this financial burden, H-Net made an unprecedented request in April 2004, asking for donations from its subscribers. The organization also entered into a partner program with online booksellers Powell's, Barnes & Noble, Amazon, and Amazon Germany so that H-Net will receive royalties when buyers move from H-Net to a purchase from one of these booksellers.
14. Research for this paper was conducted during the summer and fall of 2003.
15. One H-South reviewer contributed a joint review of two titles.
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