

## Editorial

This first issue of 2014 of *Cogency* offers readers a balanced combination of important subfields within argumentation studies: the ontogenetic development of argumentative competence in children, rhetorical analysis of political discourse, analysis of visual argumentation, critical analysis of reasoning and argumentation in health communication. It is worth pointing out that visual argumentation has not been covered by *Cogency* until now, thus it is very good news that this problem is addressed in this issue.

Every publication of *Cogency* is devoted to quality, and this issue is no exception. The empirical emphasis in this issue is evidence of this. The authors carefully explain every single methodological steps of their analysis. The interpretative work of the authors on the dimensions of the phenomena described are highly informative and provocative. We are sure that the papers published will generate new ideas and critical observation.

Two detailed and critical book reviews close the issue. The reviewed books are recent works in different areas of argumentation studies. The reviews give reasons to follow certain interpretations and to ponder the achievements of the authors.

*Cogency* is glad to contribute to the study of argumentation and reasoning by increasing the chances of sharing knowledge.

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