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## EDITORIAL AND REVIEW PROCEDURE

### The Journal of Linguistic and Intercultural Education (JoLIE)

The *Journal of Linguistic and Intercultural Education (JoLIE)* is an international, peer-reviewed academic journal published biannually by the Centre for Research and Innovation in Linguistic Education (CIEL) and affiliated with *1 Decembrie 1918 University of Alba Iulia*, Romania.

JoLIE publishes original scholarly research that advances theoretical, empirical, and applied perspectives on language, culture, and education, with particular attention to multilingual and intercultural contexts. Founded in 2008, the journal addresses an international scholarly audience and encourages contributions that engage with current debates beyond local or national frameworks.

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This document outlines the journal's editorial and review procedures and complements the policies published on the JoLIE website. In case of discrepancy, the online policies prevail.

### 1 Aims and scope

JoLIE aims to publish original, high-quality research that advances understanding of the relationships between language, culture, and education. The journal is grounded in the view that language and culture are mutually constitutive and that research on language requires theoretical and methodological approaches that explicitly account for cultural dimensions.

The journal welcomes contributions that explore these interdependencies across educational and sociocultural settings, including (but not limited to):

- linguistic and intercultural dimensions of education
- language learning, teaching, and acquisition
- bi- and plurilingualism
- language education policy and planning
- teacher education and professional development

- cognitive, pragmatic, and discourse-based approaches to language
- intercultural and cross-cultural competence
- language, identity, and social interaction in educational contexts

Preference is given to manuscripts that demonstrate conceptual clarity, analytical depth, and relevance beyond narrowly defined local contexts.

## **2 Types of contributions**

JoLIE publishes the following types of scholarly contributions:

- Original research articles (qualitative, quantitative, or mixed methods)
- Theoretical and conceptual articles
- Review articles (systematic or state-of-the-art)
- Research-based applied studies
- Book reviews

All submissions are subject to double-anonymized peer review, **except book reviews**, which are assessed by the editors.

## **3 Language of submission and publication**

The language of submission and publication is **English**.

Authors who are not native speakers of English are strongly advised to have their manuscripts professionally reviewed for language clarity prior to submission.

Manuscripts must include:

- an English title, abstract, and keywords; and
- an additional abstract in the author's first language, where applicable.

In exceptional cases, manuscripts may be submitted in the author's first language when the topic is closely tied to that language. In such cases, all titles, abstracts, keywords, and references must be provided in English.

## **4 Submission files and anonymisation**

Authors must submit the following documents:

1. An anonymised manuscript, containing the full text of the article and excluding author names, institutional affiliations, acknowledgements, funding information, or any other identifying elements.
2. A title page, containing:
  - article title
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  - institutional affiliation(s)
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3. A submission declaration, confirming that the manuscript is original, has not been published previously, is not under consideration elsewhere, and will not be submitted to another journal while under review by JoLIE.

### **Anonymisation requirements**

Authors must not reveal their identity within the manuscript. Self-citation is permitted, but references that could identify the author must be anonymized during the review stage using the format *Author (year)* or *Author et al. (year)*. Full bibliographic details must be reinstated after acceptance.

## **5 Peer-review process**

JoLIE operates a double-anonymised peer-review process. Each submission that passes initial editorial screening is evaluated by two external reviewers with relevant expertise.

Reviewers' reports, including comments and recommendations, are communicated to authors upon completion of the review process. Editorial decisions are based on reviewers' assessments and the editors' evaluation of the manuscript's relevance and quality.

The review process typically takes five to six months. Following a decision of *accept* or *accept with revisions*, the interval between submission of the revised manuscript and final publication may range from three to six months, provided that reviewer comments are adequately addressed.

Manuscripts returned with a decision of *resubmit after major revision* undergo a new round of peer review and may be considered for publication in a subsequent issue.

The journal's rejection rate (from 2015 to date) is approximately 25%.

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Manuscripts must present original research conducted and reported in accordance with accepted scholarly and ethical practices. All submissions are subject to plagiarism screening using a nationally approved system prior to publication.

Detailed policies on publication ethics, plagiarism, authorship, conflicts of interest, use of AI tools, and post-publication corrections are provided in the *Publication Ethics and Malpractice Statement* on the journal website.

## **7 Copyright and author responsibilities**

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- exclusive submission to JoLIE,
- compliance with ethical standards, and
- responsibility for obtaining permissions for third-party material.

Upon publication, authors receive a PDF of their contribution and one copy of the relevant print issue.

## **8 Open Access (online edition)**

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## **9 Book Reviews**

JoLIE publishes scholarly book reviews of recent publications relevant to the journal's scope. Reviews should critically assess the book's contribution and situate it within current research.

Book reviews are normally commissioned by the editors. Unsolicited proposals may be considered. Book reviews are subject to editorial evaluation and are not externally peer reviewed.

## **10 Invited editions and special issues**

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Guest editors manage the editorial process in consultation with the Editor-in-Chief and the editorial team. All submissions are subject to the same ethical standards and review procedures as regular issues.

The Editor-in-Chief retains final authority over the publication of invited editions and special issues.

## **11 Contact and submission**

Manuscripts must be submitted as Microsoft Word files and sent to: [editor@uab.ro](mailto:editor@uab.ro) or [tpopescu@uab.ro](mailto:tpopescu@uab.ro)

Further details on formatting, style, reviewer evaluation forms, and editorial policies are available on the JoLIE website.