JITP Guidelines for Author Submissions

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The JITP seeks to publish articles under two priorities: research and practice. First, manuscripts are encouraged that report research that examines and expands the theory and practice of invitational learning and development, investigates the efficacy of invitational practices, relates invitational theory to other theories of human development and behavior, or focuses on theories that are compatible with invitational theory and practice. Second, manuscripts will be considered that are more focused on the practice of invitational theory. These articles are less data-oriented and could describe authors' attempts to apply invitational theory to a variety of settings or activities related to invitational theory. The editorial board will also consider book reviews of professional books related to invitational or other related theories.

The JITP accepts articles for submission year-round. However, the ideal submission deadline for each issue is October 1st. The Journal uses a blind peer review of articles with final publication decisions made by the editor. Upon publication, authors will receive an electronic copy of the JITP. Manuscripts submitted to or under consideration for publication by other journals are not accepted. Authors must follow specific guidelines when submitting manuscripts for publication consideration:

1. Prepare manuscripts in APA style. Refer to the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association, 7th Edition (2019).
2. Submit manuscripts as email attachments to: ucan@rcn.com
    a. All submissions will be acknowledged by return email to the originating email address.
    b. Questions about submissions should be emailed to the editor, Chris James Anderson: ucan@rcn.com
3. Include your home and business phone numbers.
    a. This will allow the editor to quickly contact you if necessary.

4. Create all manuscripts as Microsoft Word® documents.

    a. Please remove embedded comments, tracked changes, and hidden personal data in the file.

5. Submit two copies of the manuscript – one with your identifying information and one without your identifying information

    a. The anonymous copy is sent for blind review.

6. Limit manuscripts to less than 10,000 words, double spaced (including references and quotations)

    a. Use Times New Roman, 12-point font, with one-inch margins on each side, top, and bottom.

7. Format (APA, 2019) the cover page with the author's or authors' names, institutional affiliation(s), and title of the manuscript.

8. On the second page, include the title and an abstract of 150 - 250 words.

9. For the blind copy, do not include authors' names on this or subsequent pages. The author(s)' name(s) should not appear anywhere in the blind copy of the manuscript.

    a. If the author(s)' own research is used, insert the word Author for all within manuscript citations and all References. For the Reference Page, include only Author (year) for each citation – do not include the name of the article/book, etc.

10. Include tables: created with MS Word table function only, and figures sparingly. These must be formatted per APA (2019) style.

    a. All tables and figures should be placed (embedded) within the document.

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11. Quotations must follow APA (2019) style.

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12. Reviews of manuscripts typically take approximately eight weeks.

    a. Manuscripts are reviewed by two members of the Editorial Review Board

    b. Manuscripts are rubric-scored.

   c. Patience is appreciated but author(s) can contact the JITP editor at any time for a status report.

13. Notification regarding publication will presented to the author(s) from the editor.

   a. If the manuscript is accepted, details about the issue for publication will be conveyed at that time.

14. For accepted manuscripts requiring revisions, the author(s) MUST use the Review>Track Changes function within MS Word.

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