

Guidelines for Book Reviews



Book Review Submission

Before writing a review, **approval must be obtained** from the Book Review Editor:

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Important Notes:

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- We only accept reviews of books **recently published within the last two years**.
- Only books that are **relevant to the journal's multidisciplinary focus** will be considered.
- **Reviewers may propose a book, but authors may not review their own work.**
- Reviewers must **avoid conflicts of interest**, including personal or professional relationships with the author(s).



Content Requirements

Your review should be:

- **Engaging, informative, and critically analytical**
- **Between 800–1500 words**
- Compliant with **SIJMDS Style Guidelines**

Your review should include:

◆ Author Introduction

- Include full name, title, and institutional affiliation.

◆ Audience Identification

- Who is the book for? Who will benefit from reading it?

◆ Key Ideas and Objectives

- What are the central themes and goals of the book?

◆ Methods and Sources

- Assess the reliability and soundness of methodologies and information used.

◆ Comparative Insight

- How does this work compare to other notable texts in the same field?

◆ Topical Context

- Discuss the current state of knowledge in the subject area.
- How does this book add to, change, or challenge that knowledge?

◆ Critical Analysis

- Offer **constructive feedback** on strengths and weaknesses.

◆ For Edited Books

- Discuss dominant themes and reference specific chapters.
- Note implications for **research, policy, practice, or theory**.

Header Format for Your Review

Please include the following at the top of your review:

- **Author(s)/Editor(s):** Full names (indicate if edited)
- **Book Title**
- **Year of Publication**
- **Place of Publication**
- **Publisher**
- **Number of Pages**
- **Price:** Specify paperback or hardcover, if available
- **ISBN**

Your Information at the End of the Review

- **Full Name**
- **Institutional Affiliation**
- **Biographical Note** (Example):
Author received her [degree] in [field] from [institution]. S/He is currently [position] at [organization], where s/he [teaches/conducts research/practices]. Her/His interests include.

Style Guidelines

1. **In-text References Only**
 - Example: (Smith, 1999) or (Smith, 1999, p. 27)
 - Do not use footnotes or endnotes.
2. **Use UK English**
 - In MS Word: Select all → Tools → Language → Set Language → Choose **English (U.K.)**
3. **Write for an International Audience**
 - Avoid unnecessary jargon or region-specific terminology.
 - Make your writing accessible and globally understandable.

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