

Journal of Law and Public Policy

Call for Special Issue Proposals and Guidelines for Guest Editors

ABOUT THE JOURNAL

The *Journal of Law and Public Policy* is an open access journal with a double-blind peer review process that publishes original scholarship on the interface between law and public policy at the national, regional, and international levels. Contributions that examine the process of public interest decision making are especially welcomed. Articles must advance interdisciplinarity in the field of law and justice with a strong focus on socio-economic and political contexts. In addition to academic quality, the journal encourages writing that is accessible to a wide range of readers such as policymakers, researchers, faculty, and students of law and public policy across the world. We welcome empirical, historical, and comparative analyses that are grounded in theoretical debates.

Founded in 2014, the *Journal of Law and Public Policy* is published twice a year by the National Law School of India University, Bengaluru. This includes one general issue and one theme-based issue.

PROPOSAL GUIDELINES

JLPP publishes one themed issue a year that encourages in-depth analysis of a specific subject of special interest within the journal's scope. The journal welcomes proposals for themed issues by guest editors with demonstrated expertise in the field.

Special Issue proposals may be submitted any time during the year, addressed to the editor-in-chief at jlpp@nls.ac.in. All proposals will be evaluated by the journal's editorial board.

Themed issue proposals must include the following information:

- Title of the proposed themed issue
- Framing note (800–1,000 words, excluding references), which should include the following:
 - Statement of the subject to be explored, including its scope and significance to law and public policy research
 - Rationale for the proposed theme issue, including a brief assessment of relevant literature on the subject

If the proposal is accepted, this framing note will be used to announce the special issue on the website. Some material from this framing note may be used in the editorial introduction (to be written in 2,000–4,000 words) by guest editors.

- Name, ORCID ID and short bio (75–100 words) of the proposed guest editor(s).
- A list of 5–7 proposed articles along with the authors' names and institutional affiliations, article titles, email addresses, and abstracts (100–150 words) for each article. If the guest editor(s) would like to make an open call, we suggest a window of 6 months to receive the papers. However, it is recommended that guest editors identify potential scholars to contribute, rather than expect a special issue to be solely curated through an open call.
- For proposals aligned with a conference, a link to the conference website
- Proposed timeline for submission of manuscripts
- List of potential reviewers

ARTICLE CATEGORIES

- Research Articles: 6,000–8,000 words (flexible in exceptional cases)
- Legislative Notes and Case Comments: 2,000–4,000 words
- Book Reviews: 1,000–2,000 words

Note: All word limits are exclusive of references.

KEY INFORMATION

- All papers for special issues have to be submitted through *JLPP*'s online submission system by the respective authors, including those solicited and reviewed by the guest editor.
- *JLPP* follows a double-blind peer review process for all articles, each article being reviewed by at least two peer reviewers.
- Legislative Notes/Case Comments and Book Reviews only undergo internal review by the relevant section editors of the journal.
- Final acceptance decisions will be made by the journal's editorial board, based on the recommendations of the lead guest editor.

JLPP follows the online-first publication model. This allows completed articles to be published online prior to their inclusion in a final print and online journal issue. This significantly reduces the lead time between submission and publication.