Creating a Scholarly Career Development Journal: An APCDA Initiative

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Why Create a Scholarly Journal?
- The professionalization of professional career services.
- Grounds what we do in evidence based practice.
- Evidence comes from Asia Pacific context.
- Effectiveness.
- Culturally relevant practice.
- Allows for sharing of best practices between countries/cultures.
- Creates strength of the professional career services brand.

What are the Steps to the Process?

March 2017
- Editorial Board Description Draft
- Author Guidelines Draft
- Manuscript Flowchart and Decision Tree Draft

April 2017
- Editorial Board Description Finalized
- Author Guidelines Finalized
- Manuscript Flowchart and Decision Tree Finalized

May 2017 – APCDA Conference
- Journal Name Contest
- Editorial Board Description Shared with Members/ Targeted recruitment of Board
- Author Guidelines Shared with Members

July 2017
- Journal Front Page Design Development
- Call for Manuscripts Made
- Online deliver mechanisms decided for development
- Determine printer for "hard copy" of journals

August 2017
- Select copy editor

March 2018
- Special Issue First Issue Published

Our Shared Values
- Promoting evidence based career services.
- Developmental approach to content.
- We will work with authors to provide caring, comprehensive feedback.
- We will identify manuscripts with potential and mentor/coach.
- We will give extensive feedback EVEN for manuscripts we choose to reject.
- Openness to a range of research methods.

Editorial Team
- Brian Hutchison, Editor
- Jose Domene, Associate Editor
- Hsiu-Lan (Shelley) Tien, Associate Editor
- Yang Ai, Editorial Assistant

Accepting Applications, Editorial Board Members
- Qualifications include:
  - Previous publications in academic peer-reviewed academic journals.
  - Familiarity with either quantitative, qualitative, historical or other research methods.
  - Willingness to review up to 4 manuscripts per year.
  - Commitment to providing thorough reviews of author submissions and provide detailed feedback.
Editorial Process

Scope of the Journal

Empirical articles: These should describe new and carefully confirmed findings, and experimental procedures given in sufficient detail for others to verify the work. Substantive, qualitative, analytical, or historical methods are required. The length of a full paper should be no more than 25 pages not including cover page, abstract, references, and appendices. Tables and figures for these manuscripts are limited to 3 per submission.

Short Communications: A Short Communication is suitable for recording the results of completed small studies such as intervention evaluations or giving details of new models, innovative methods, or techniques. Short communications are about 8 to 15 manuscript pages in length not including cover page, abstract, references, and appendices. Tables and figures for these manuscripts are limited to 1 per submission.

Review: Submissions of reviews and perspectives covering topics of current interest are welcome. These include literature reviews on emerging topics of interest, theoretical articles, applications of specific theories or techniques that do not include evaluation data, and historical reviews of career development and counseling research specific to the Asia Pacific Region. Reviews should be concise and no longer than 20 manuscript pages. Tables and figures for these manuscripts are limited to 2 per submission.

Special First Issue

We expect to publish 7-10 invited peer-reviewed articles from top scholars representing the breadth of the APCDA footprint.

Current manuscript commitments are from:
- Canada
- Hong Kong
- India
- Japan
- South Korea
- Taiwan
- USA

Thank you and Questions.