# The ORTESOL Journal Editorial Policy and Submission Guidelines

ORTESOL Journal, a professional, refereed publication, encourages the submission of previously unpublished articles on topics of significance to individuals concerned with the teaching of English as a second or foreign language, especially in elementary and secondary education, and in higher education, adult education, and bilingual education. As a publication that represents a variety of cross-disciplinary interests, both theoretical and practical, the Journal invites manuscripts on a wide range of topics. The following areas are of special interest:

- (1) Curriculum design and development
- (2) Instructional methods, materials and techniques
- (4) Professional preparation
- (5) Politics and pedagogy
- (6) Technology-enhanced learning

(3) Testing and evaluation

The *Journal* particularly welcomes submissions which draw on relevant research with a focus on direct application in the classroom (methods, materials, techniques and activities) at all levels of instruction. *Journal* articles should be written in a style that is reader-friendly and therefore accessible to classroom teachers, while following the conventions of academic style. While maintaining a practical focus, the articles should, nevertheless, be well founded in research and include references to the appropriate literature. All manuscripts receive a blind review.

# **General Information for Authors**

*ORTESOL Journal* invites submissions in three categories: Full-length Feature Articles Manuscripts should be between 2,000 and 4,500 words. In addition, include a title of 12 words or less, an abstract of 140-160 words and a list of 4-9 key words.

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The *Journal* invites brief descriptions of successful teaching projects, practices, activities or techniques that may be adapted and applied by other teachers in a variety of classroom settings. Manuscripts should be no more than 750 words. Notes should specify guidelines that other professionals can follow and include objectives, class and preparation time, target audience level, implementation techniques and suggestions for alternatives.

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# **General Submission Guidelines**

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