

Guidelines for contributors

AUDIENCE FOR THE JOURNAL

The *Journal of Spirituality, Leadership and Management* (JSLaM) is a peer-refereed journal devoted to facilitating the emergence of the innate spirituality within individuals and organisations, by connecting people in communities of enquiry, learning and action. We focus our energies on improving leadership and management practices as they apply to organisations, communities and the natural world.

The journal aims to:

- provide balanced and in-depth investigation of leadership and management practices and theories in a variety of contexts
- enhance understanding of spirituality in leadership and management in relation to the wider contexts
- help readers keep abreast of current research
- examine and present research with a view as to how it might be implemented
- provide a forum in which professionals from all settings can exchange and discuss ideas and practices relevant to their work.

PUBLICATION DETAILS

JSLaM is an online journal published once a year and available free to individuals from the website www.slam.org.au.

INVITATION TO SUBMIT MANUSCRIPTS FOR PUBLICATION

Papers are invited on any topic related to the scholarly advancement of spirituality, leadership and management. Acceptance of papers and case studies will be based on whether they:

- are directly relevant to spirituality, leadership and management
- have not been published elsewhere
- have been submitted in the correct format.

Articles on any topic related to the scholarly advancement of spirituality, leadership and management. Examples of topics in these areas include:

- relationships between spirituality,

- leadership and management
- spirituality and leadership education in schools and tertiary education institutions
- gender and political issues in the workplace
- environmental perspectives
- research studies, design and/or methodology
- corporate programs
- coaching, mentoring and supervision.

The journal is supportive of ideas and experientially based techniques that might be employed by readers to assist them in the development of ethics and spirituality in leadership and management in a given context.

Note that it is helpful to be familiar with past and current 'conversations' or 'threads' that have been published in previous editions of the journal. This will help you to place your work within a context and make your contribution more relevant to readers.

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- It is reviewed by the editor for its suitability.
- If it is suitable an anonymous version of the paper will be sent to a member of the Editorial Panel for review.
- The Editorial Panel member in turn will seek one other person with appropriate expertise to review the paper.
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Multiple citations in the text should be given chronologically rather than alphabetically, e.g. Jones, 1999; Brown 2000; Lyons, 2006. If a work has two authors, cite both names in the text

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Papers presented at conferences

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TYPES OF PAPERS

Articles should range from 5,000–8,000 words in length, including references, tables and appendices. Manuscripts which exceed the word limit will not be reviewed as they would not be considered publishable without revision. Artwork such as diagrams is welcome as long as the items are of suitable quality for reproduction in electronic format.

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