The Journal of Social Studies Research
Call for Manuscripts

Research on LGBT Issues and Queer Theory in the Social Studies

The Journal of Social Studies Research is an internationally recognized peer-reviewed journal designed to foster the dissemination of ideas and research findings related to the social studies. JSSR is the official publication of The International Society for the Social Studies (ISSS).

Proposals are invited for papers for a special issue of the journal on the theme, Research on LGBT Issues and Queer Theory in the Social Studies. The special issue will be edited by J.B. Mayo, Jr., University of Minnesota.

The national narrative about the inclusion of LGBTQ people and their rights, responsibilities, and roles played in the larger society rages on. What do social studies teachers think about this on-going narrative and how has it affected classrooms and schools? How has the narrative impacted teaching and the lives of students? What are students saying? How might (does) social studies curriculum address the narrative?

I invite manuscripts on research that centers lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender issues and/or the use of Queer Theory in the social studies. Data-based manuscripts that explore how LGBT themes are impacting the social studies are of particular interest. Reports of original social studies research should include a review of the relevant literature, a description of the methodology, a summary of the findings, and a discussion of implications for social studies practice in an educational setting.

I am currently soliciting abstracts for proposed papers for the special issue. Abstracts should be no longer than 200 words and accompanied by up to six keywords. Authors are strongly encouraged to adhere to the submission timeline found below. Further, full papers may certainly be submitted before the May 1, 2015 deadline. Inquiries regarding article ideas are welcome.

Deadline for submission of abstract: October 1, 2014
Authors receive invitation to submit full manuscript: October 15, 2014
Deadline for submission of full papers to JSSR online system: May 1, 2015
Email abstracts and keywords to the guest editor [mayo@umn.edu] October 1, 2014.

Please put ‘Abstract Journal of Social Studies Research’ in the subject line.

Full papers are expected to be between 20-35 pages (please refer to the journal website for full ‘instructions for authors’). Each submission will be rigorously refereed using a double-blind peer review process with reviewers from relevant disciplines. Please note that a positive review of an abstract does not mean automatic acceptance of the full paper, if the full paper is not written to the standards of the reviewers and editors. (See http://www.education.ucf.edu/jssr/index.cfm.) Please also note that authors of manuscripts will likely be asked to review other authors’ manuscripts for this special issue.
Author Guidelines

Manuscripts must:
- Be original and type-written in English.
- Not be under consideration with any other journal.
- Be submitted via email as an email attachment; paper copies will not be accepted.
- Be in Microsoft Word format.
- Be between 20-35 pages, occasionally longer manuscripts will be considered.
- Be typed using 12-font, Times New Roman, and double-spaced.
- Adhere to the guidelines of the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association (APA).
- Include an abstract of 200 words or less.
- Include a title page with author/s contact information. If the manuscript has more than one author, please indicate which author is acting as the contact person.
- Include a statement indicating that the manuscript has not been published elsewhere and is not under consideration for publication elsewhere.
- Include a statement stating that copyright will be given to The Journal of Social Studies Research should it be published.

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Tentative Timeline
July 2014: Disseminate Call for Manuscripts
May 1, 2015: Deadline for Manuscripts
May 15-25, 2015: Assign Reviewers
August 3, 2015: Deadline for Reviews
September 14, 2015: Authors Provided Feedback
November 16, 2015: Deadline for Revised Manuscripts
Summer 2016 (July): Publication in The Journal of Social Studies Research

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