



Submission Guidelines

1. SUBMITTING AN ARTICLE ONLINE

1.1 Submitting deadlines

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1.2 Author Declaration

Authors have to send the duly filled Electronic Author Declaration (EAD) template posted online in the KJMS website with the manuscript.

1.3 Excess manuscripts

Any manuscript submitted to KJMS, if do not get the opportunity to publish in the first issue will be kept in the pool and will be considered for the upcoming journal publications with prior notification to the authors.

1.4 Notification to authors

Once the authors submit the manuscripts online, they are notified officially about the similarity Index and the results of the screening test of the manuscript prior to send the manuscript to the reviewers. If there is any deficiency, responsibility lies with the author to make the required improvements and resend the manuscript for consideration.

2. SUBMISSION POLICIES

The type of articles considered

- 2.1 It seeks to publish original research articles and innovative research with novel analysis on various application models relating to multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary research. The journal aims to bring together quality research and to compile articles in diverse disciplines providing a platform for cross boundaries.
- 2.2 KJMS expects that a submitted manuscript is not already published or submitted elsewhere. A prospective author shall not submit their manuscript to KJMS when submitted elsewhere and under consideration.

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3 PREPARING THE MANUSCRIPT

- 3.1 Read the guidelines below in preparing the manuscript in the live template given in the Journal's website. Download the live electronic template from the website to prepare the manuscript which has already specified different components of the manuscript [title, text, heads, etc.]. Do not change the characters, fonts, symbols etc in the given live format when preparing the manuscript.
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- 3.3 All manuscripts must be in English. The preferred spelling of the manuscript is British English. Additional information on formatting and style issues can be obtained from the KJMS style guide, posted online at: <https://kdu.ac.lk/kjms/template.php>
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The following points have to be followed by the authors in preparing the manuscript for submission:

- 4.1 Link your research to relevant works published by the other researchers.
- 4.2 Use recent references instead of many outdated references.
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- 4.7 Write the conclusions and recommendations of your research.

5 CONTENTS OF THE MANUSSCRIPT

- **Abstract**

Abstract should consist of concise information of the content of the article and shall be informative, accessible and state the main results obtained.

- It shall be a summary of the research findings with objectives, a brief methodology, major findings and conclusions and shall not contain table numbers, figure numbers, references or equations and shall not exceed **300** words.

- **Keywords**

Keywords should appear immediately after the abstract, and provide a maximum of 6 separated by a comma.

- **Introduction**

Introduction shall be concise describing the nature of the research problem concerned with its background. All relevant references shall be cited and all the highly specialized terms should be expanded indicating all abbreviations used in the article.

- **Methodology**

The methods used in the research shall be described in terms of qualitative , quantitative or mixed techniques or otherwise.

- The methodology has to be described clearly providing sufficient details of the research design, conceptual design (optional) simulation techniques, statistical tests or analyses carried out to generate the results so as to allow the methodology to be repeated by other researchers.

- **Results**

Describe the details of the major findings and the outcomes of the study in the results section. Use tables to improve clarity and express results using graphs, statistical diagrams wherever relevant.

- **Tables**

Submit the tables of the publication as editable text and not as images. Incorporate the tables in the relevant places of the body text. Table shall be numbered consecutively in accordance with their appearance. The table title shall appear on the top of the table with any explanatory captions below the title. Ensure that the data presented in tables do not duplicate results described in the body text.

- **Figures**

Figure title has to appear at the bottom of the figure. All Figures including maps, photographs and plates shall be numbered in the relevant sequence and their title has to appear at the bottom. Figures, graphics, plates, photographs and maps shall have approximately 300dpi with embedded fonts and have to be inserted in the relevant place of the text.

- **Discussion**

This section shall include the discussion of the significance of results and compare the findings with the findings of the previous researchers using relevant references.

- **Conclusion**

Conclusions drawn from the research should be summarized with recommendations for future research.

- **Appendices**
If it is needed, the appendices shall appear before the Acknowledgements. If there are multiple Appendices they have to be labeled as Appendix A, B, C and D etc.
- **Acknowledgements**
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