Categories of submission

Research Articles

Research articles are full length papers based on original research. They should contain an abstract (250 words), 3-5 keywords, a qualitative or quantitative analysis of primary and/or secondary data and a list of references (Harvard style). The word limit for research articles is 8,000 to 10,000 words.

Review Articles

Critical reviews of existing literature on selected social sciences topics are welcome, provided that they are pertinent to Sri Lanka and/or South Asia. A review article should have an abstract (250 words), 3-5 keywords, a critical engagement with existing research and a list of references (Harvard style). Review articles should have of a word count of 5,000 to 8,000 words.

Work-in-progress

Work-in-progress are short essays presenting on-going research. They should be well-structured and presented with an abstract (250 words), 3-5 keywords, a description of the current status of the study, preliminary findings and a list of references (Harvard style). The prescribed word limit is 3,000 to 4,000 words.

Book Reviews

Publishers and authors who wish to have their books reviewed in the journal must submit books, published within the past 3 years, on social science topics relevant to Sri Lanka and/or South Asia, to the Journal Publication Unit of NSF. The journal will have selected books reviewed by experts in the relevant subjects. A book review will have a word limit of 2,500 to 3,000 words.

Correspondence

This category hosts articles covering important social science events or any other academic news of interest to social scientists, and articles presenting views on issues related to social science activities. Publication will be made at the discretion of the Editorial Board. The prescribed word limit is 1,000 to 1,500 words.