

CALL FOR MANUSCRIPT SUBMISSIONS

The Ohio Communication Journal publishes original scholarship bearing on the breadth of the field of communication studies. Within this broad purview, it welcomes diverse disciplinary, conceptual, and methodological perspectives, especially scholarship in the following areas:

- ▶ Manuscripts covering a wide variety of topics from every facet of the field
- ▶ Debut papers from undergraduate and graduate students
- ▶ Essays on teaching excellence
- ▶ Book reviews

The Ohio Communication Journal believes that research must be carried out in an ethical fashion, so we subscribe to the National Communication Association Code of Professional Ethics for Authors. (See http://www.natcom.org/policies/Internal/code_of_professional_ethics.htm). These guidelines enjoin authors to use inclusive and nondefamatory language. In addition, submissions should be accompanied by a cover letter attesting that the author has met professional standards for any of the following principles as may apply. (1) The manuscript is original work and proper publication credit is accorded to all authors. (2) Simultaneous editorial consideration of the manuscript at another publication venue is prohibited. (3) Any publication history of the manuscript is disclosed, indicating in particular whether the manuscript or another version of it has been presented at a conference, or published electronically, or whether portions of the manuscript have been published previously. (4) Duplicate publication of data is avoided; or if parts of the data have already been reported, then that fact is acknowledged. (5) All legal, institutional, and professional obligations for obtaining informed consent from research participants and for limiting their risk are honored. (6) The scholarship reported is authentic.

Full-Length Manuscripts

The Ohio Communication Journal publishes extended, complete studies that generally do not exceed 30 double-spaced pages (including references), except in cases where “thick description” of qualitative/rhetorical data may require a slightly extended length. *The Ohio Communication Journal* is committed to an eclectic approach and to the publication of high quality articles from a variety of different areas within the field of communication including: critical studies, state of the art reviews, reports of topical interest, supported opinion papers, and other essays related to field of communication. Manuscripts may be philosophical, theoretical, methodological, critical, applied, pedagogical, or empirical in nature.

Brief Reports

The Ohio Communication Journal publishes brief articles (approximately 10 double spaced pages or less including references – 2500 words) on a wide variety of topics pertaining to human communication. Appropriate topics include studies of small group, relational, political, persuasive, organizational, nonverbal, mass, interpersonal, intercultural, instructional, health, aging/life span, family, and computer mediated communication. Authors should provide a sentence to a paragraph outlining the theoretical framework guiding the brief empirical report. In sum, theoretical rationale should receive modest coverage in the research report (1-2 paragraphs) along with a brief review of the representative literature on the topic, with the main portion of the paper devoted to a thorough reporting and interpretation of the results.

Book Reviews

The Ohio Communication Journal publishes reviews of books and non-print media on a broad range of topics related to communication. Reviews should not exceed 1000 words, although longer essay reviews of several related works may be considered.

Manuscript Submission Process

After removing all identifiers in the properties of the document (go file-properties-summary and delete your name and affiliation), authors should submit one electronic double-spaced copy of the manuscript and one separate title page in MSWORD (preferred) to ocajournal@ohiocomm.org. All manuscripts should conform to the most recent edition of the American Psychological Association (APA) Style Manual. The cover page must contain: (1) the title of the manuscript; (2) the author’s name, (3) author’s institutional affiliation, (3) the snail-mail address, (4) the author’s phone number, and (5) author’s e-mail address. The second page of the manuscript must include the title and a 50-100 word abstract.

For additional information, please view the *Ohio Communication Journal*’s website at: <http://www.ohiocomm.org>.

Stefne Lenzmeier Broz, Editor
Department of Communication, Wittenberg University
PO Box 720
Springfield, OH 45501
sbroz@wittenberg.edu

The deadline for all submissions for the 2010 edition of *The Ohio Communication Journal* is February 15th, 2010, by 5:00 PM.