

Special issue call for papers

The Australian Community Psychologist

Ignored no longer: Emerging indigenous researchers on indigenous psychologies

Call for papers: 12 July 2011

Submission deadline: 19 August 2011

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Background

In many respects indigenous psychologies remain marginalised in the broader discipline of psychology. Previous psychological research has all but ignored indigenous histories, circumstances, and worldviews. Further, it rarely employs cultural concepts germane to these distinct groups in an interpretation of their lived realities. This omission reflects a missed opportunity. The development of many indigenous psychologies has been closely associated with processes of decolonization and with assisting minority groups to find a voice and gain access to resources for self-determination. Dissatisfaction with the unquestioned, derivative, and explicative nature of psychological research that is deeply rooted in individualistic strands of Western psychology has led indigenous researchers to look outside the discipline in order to begin solving the devastating problems within their own communities.

Many decisions shaping the circumstances of indigenous peoples are made beyond their lifeworlds, and it is up to us, as critical Indigenous scholars working with community groups, to help bridge this divide through advocacy and joint action. As current and future psychologists, we need to situate our work within local socio-political contexts. This special issue will highlight analytic approaches informed by indigenous world views which are crucial for extending our psychological engagements with human diversity in more complex and relevant ways.

Focus of the special issue

This special issue explores the breadth of indigenous psychologies through the current work of emerging indigenous researchers. The primary aims of the issue are to:

- To showcase the breadth of research currently being conducted by emerging indigenous researchers on issues of relevance to indigenous people
- To profile the diversity of indigenous research
- To consider the position of emerging indigenous psychologies within the broader discipline of Aotearoa, Australia and the wider South Pacific.

Indigenous psychologies recognise that people have a complex and highly developed understanding of themselves and there is more than one legitimate psychological approach to understanding the social world, the place of different people within it and frameworks for conceptualising social relations.

Preference of submissions:

Preference will be given to submissions from **emerging indigenous researchers** engaged in work that is fundamentally action orientated and focused on real world problems faced by Indigenous communities.

Deadlines and submission process

The deadline for submissions is Friday the 19 August, 2011. The issue will be published in early 2012. Authors should read the Instruction to Authors document attached to the call for submission process and formatting. Further information can be obtained from Mohi Rua on mrua@waikato.ac.nz.

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Submission process for Manuscripts

The Australian Community Psychologist publishes work that is of relevance to community psychologists and others interested in the field. Research reports should be methodologically sound. Theoretical or area review papers are welcomed, as are letters, brief reports and papers by newer contributors to the discipline. Contributions towards the four sections of the journal are sought.

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Articles

Contributions that are state of the art reviews of professional and applied areas and reviews and essays on matters of general relevance to community psychologists. They are between 4,000 and 5,000 words, including all tables, figures and references.

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The journal publishes book reviews of up to 1,000 words. Books reviewed relate directly to the major areas of practice in community psychology.

Review and Publication of Manuscripts

The acceptable word processing programme format is Microsoft Word. All manuscripts are to be submitted electronically to the:

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All manuscripts for consideration for publication in *The Australian Community Psychologist* must be formatted according to the instructions for authors below.

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The following constitutes advice to contributors that is relevant generally to all journal sections.

Every submission must include:

A cover letter stating the section of the journal to which the author(s) wish to submit the article.

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