

Call for Special Issue Proposals 2011

Submission Deadline: Thursday 1st April, 2010

The European Journal of Cognitive Psychology (EJCP) invites proposals for a special issue on a topic related to the focus of EJCP: all areas of research in cognitive psychology, including research that adopts a neuroscience approach to human functioning are appropriate. Special issues provide an excellent opportunity to summarize the state-of-the-art on a specific topic, exchange perspectives, and develop new theoretical approaches to research questions. EJCP publishes one special issue each year. This open call invites researchers to submit a proposal for a special issue to be published in 2011.

Proposals for a special issue should have a well-articulated unifying theme and should describe state-of-the-art, leading edge research on this theme. A special issue will typically include a review article of research in the area of focus, and empirical articles that report complementary lines of evidence, or contrasting research methodologies.

Each proposal should consist of the following:

1. Name and affiliation of Guest Editor(s).
2. Concise CV and list of major publications of Guest Editor(s).
3. A provisional title for the special issue.
4. A general summary (max. 1 page) describing the general focus and aims of the special issue.
5. A list of authors that have agreed to submit a contribution to the special issue (i.e., a list of names with affiliations) as well as an overview of the titles of their contributions (and preferably preliminary abstracts).
6. A rationale for why EJCP should publish this special issue (max. 1 page).

The selection of the special issue proposals will be made by the Editor-in-Chief and the Associate Editors. As part of the evaluation process, the editorial team may ask experts on the special issue topic to evaluate the proposal. We anticipate making a decision and notifying the authors no later than one month after the submission deadline. Criteria for identifying the proposal of the highest quality include: 1) novelty and timeliness of the topic; 2) the extent to which the special issue will advance our understanding and break new ground for future research; 3) coherence of the proposed papers and thoroughness of the proposal; 4) relevance for the journal's readership.

Papers submitted for a special issue are subject to EJCP's standard rigorous peer review procedure. A special issue contains 160 printed journal pages. A rough rule of thumb is that 3 manuscript pages (including all pages of figures/tables/references will make 2 printed pages. This assumes that the manuscript pages are A4, double spaced and printed in a typeface that gives an average of 270-300 words per page.

Special issue proposals can be submitted to the Editor-in-Chief Janet van Hell (j.vanhell@pwo.ru.nl)