

Call for Papers - New Section of Current Issues in Tourism:

'CURRENT ISSUES IN METHOD AND PRACTICE'

SCOPE

Current Issues in Tourism has expanded its focus by incorporating a new section that examines current issues in method and practice as they relate to tourism research. Without question, the study of tourism and tourists as discrete but dynamic and interrelated phenomena has grown significantly. With this comes the need for regular discussion and dissemination of the means by which knowledge(s) are formulated, encapsulated and disseminated. This new section of is designed to facilitate and provide a platform for these discussions.

The arsenal of methods available to tourism researchers is vast and includes numerous quantitative and qualitative methods. Many, if not most, of these are not entirely specific to tourism research, yet the nature of their application to tourism is often rendered problematic because of the dynamic nature of the subject(s) under study. The application of these methods, therefore, is an issue that is deserving of more debate and consideration as tourism research develops. As well, the wider methodological realm of tourism research is also ripe for debate, and there exists a variety of positions and opinions among tourism researchers as a consequence of the numerous disciplinary backgrounds found within the research community.

Examples of questions that can be posed with respect to both the application of methods and the broader methodological orientation of tourism include:

1. To what extent has Tourism, as either a discipline or field of enquiry, adopted a strongly reflexive or embodied approach to its subjects?
2. Where does the issue of 'applied' tourism research rest? In other words, for whom do we conduct research and how is it disseminated to appropriate end-users?
3. Can the case be made that some methods are misused in tourism research? If so, how might this be corrected?
4. When are particular methods considered appropriate? In other words, what elements, circumstances and situations dictate the use of particular methods in tourism research? How might a 'best practice' of a particular method be developed, if at all?

IMPLEMENTATION

Given the considerations above, the primary goal of the *Current Issues in Method and Practice* section within the Journal is to disseminate short articles and/or research notes that examine explicitly a particular aspect of research method or methodology as it relates to tourism research.

As such, we welcome submissions that have as their focus:

- a) a specific methodological issue (for example, issues of ontology and epistemology in tourism research)
- b) an exploration of a particular method (for example, the use of particular method in tourism research, where the focus is purely on the operationalisation of that method as opposed to the information it yields)

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

All papers should be submitted on our online submission system [here](#).

All submissions will be anonymously reviewed by two independent assessors. Please note that it is Channel View's policy not to review papers which are currently under consideration by other journals.

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