

# CALL FOR PROPOSALS FOR THEMATIC SECTIONS PSICOLOGÍA, CONOCIMIENTO Y SOCIEDAD

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PCS publishes one Thematic Section (TS) a year which includes papers that present original research and focus on a particular theme. The proposed topics must be in line with PCS' editorial policy and provide knowledge that will allow for progress in the understanding of both long-term and emerging problems in our societies. PCS, as a journal of Universidad de la República, adheres to the goals established by our Ley Orgánica (Organic Law), and therefore will prioritize those themes that discuss topics linked to the understanding of relevant social issues.

## PCS calls for proposals for Thematic Sections

Proposals will be received between **June 14 and August 6**, **2021**. They will be evaluated by the local Editorial Committee and three external consultants who will be appointed according to the submitted themes. There will be a period of two months to respond to the proposals for the Thematic Section.

If a proposal is selected, the Thematic Section will be published in the May 2022 issue. If none of the proposals meet the established requirements, the call may be declared void by the Editorial Committee.

## How to submit a proposal for a Thematic Section

The proposal for a Thematic Section may have up to two responsible editors, who will submit the following documentation:



- name(s) of the guest editor(s), a tentative title for the Thematic Section, an abstract of the proposal (maximum 500 words)
- a list of eight to ten national and international guest authors, their institutional affiliation (their commitment to participate will be accredited by a letter that each author must sign)
- a list of at least twenty external reviewers
- a structured work schedule from October 2021 to May 2022 that clearly indicates the main activities/tasks to be carried out
- a communications strategy including a plan for launching and promoting the publication through different channels including PCS social networks

## Documentation to be submitted with the proposal

**Editor(s):** Submit an summarized CV (maximum 3 pages) containing the name of the Editor, institutional affiliation, ORCID id number, education (the highest academic degree achieved), academic positions held, research projects developed in relation to the proposed topic and the most relevant papers published in the last five years. Indicate in which journals you participate or have participated as a reviewer and your previous experience in editorial projects, in case you have such experience.

The editors will also present a letter of commitment that will establish that they are aware of these guidelines and that therefore they commit themselves to adjusting the Thematic Section to the editorial standards of PCS and to developing their task within the established deadlines. Likewise, they will state that they are excluded from participating as authors in the Thematic Section.

Those who have been editors of monographic issues of PCS cannot submit proposals.



**Original and unpublished papers (maximum 8, minimum 5):** for each paper, include the title and abstract which contains the subject matter of the research, the objectives and methodology of the study, the main results and the conclusions (500 words max.). Only original papers presenting results of empirical research will be accepted. PCS does not accept revisions, essays, theoretical papers, communications or reviews.

**Invited reviewers (at least 20):** Attach a list of at least 20 expert reviewers in the field (indicate name, academic degree, institutional affiliation and ORCID id number) who are willing to participate in the double-blind review process. The Editor(s) will establish prior contact with these reviewers ensuring that they are willing to participate if the Thematic Section is selected.

The Thematic Section will include a minimum of 5 papers written in Spanish, Portuguese and/or English. All unpublished articles must follow the <u>Guidelines for</u> <u>Authors</u> stated in PCS' website. The review process will be carried out in a double-blind manner.

Applications should be sent by email to <u>revista@psico.edu.uy</u> ccing <u>revistapcs@gmail.com</u> and must include the complete documentation.

# **Evaluation Criteria**

Once the proposals are received, the Editorial Committee will evaluate them according to the following criteria:

- Compliance with the guidelines of the call. Proposals that do not submit all the required documentation will not be considered.
- Academic background of the Editor(s): being a consolidated researcher or in the process of consolidation in the proposed subject, institutional affiliation, academic production in the proposed subject in particular in refereed



journals, editorial experience

- Thematic relevance of the proposal: social and/or disciplinary relevance of the proposal submitted
- We will favor thematic sections that give an account of emerging fields that contribute to the understanding of the problems of the current reality.
- Internationalization: we expect the Thematic Section to promote research carried out in different regions. 75% of the papers that will make up the thematic section will be by foreign authors and will not belong to the guest editors' institutions.
- Academic background of the authors and proposed reviewers
- Feasibility of the proposal within the established timeframe (the timeframe submitted will be taken as a reference)
- The final decision on which articles will make up the Thematic Section is ultimately up to PCS Editorial Committee.

Important dates:

- Deadline for submission of proposals: August 6, 2021
- Date of confirmation of acceptance of the selected proposal: October 6, 2021
- Date of publication of the Thematic Section: May 2022

#### About the editorial process

Once the Thematic Section proposal is accepted, papers will be submitted to PCS through its Open Journal System (OJS) and will be first evaluated by the Editorial Committee.

1) Once the submission is received, compliance with the formal aspects is evaluated.

2) The Editorial Committee will then read the paper and determine if the subject matter is of interest to the editorial project and if the content complies with the quality standards of the journal.

After this evaluation by the Editorial Committee, three decisions can be made:



#### 1. Submission rejected

2. Adjustments are requested prior to starting the peer review process

3. Submission is ready to start the peer review process (double-blind). PCS guarantees that the reviewers are external to the institution of the authors of the submission.

Those papers that are approved in this first reading by the Editorial Committee and are eligible for the peer review process, will be assigned to the Guest Editors in the OJS for them to follow up on the process. PCS will also follow up on the entire review process.

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It is part of **BVS-Psi-Uruguay** (Virtual Library in Psychology and Health); **DOAJ** (Directory of Open Access Journals); **TIMBÓ** (Interinstitutional Multidisciplinary Network of Online Bibliography); **COLIBRI** (Free Knowledge Institutional Repository, UdelaR); **REDIB** (Red Iberoamericana de Innovación y Conocimiento Científico); **SHERPAROMEO** (RoMEO Journals database); MIAR (Matriz de Información para el Análisis de Revistas); **LatinREV** (Red Latinoamericana de Revistas Académicas en Ciencias Sociales y Humanidades).

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