Library Resources for Faculty Scholarship

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“When you write for a journal you have to find a way to bridge the gap between what you want to say and what editors and reviewers, of a specific journal, at a specific point in time, want to hear.”

Faculty Barriers to Scholarship

1. Difficulties with writing
2. Limited time/time management
3. Uncertainty where to submit
   • Tools to find information about journals
4. Fear of rejection
   • Tools to find acceptance rates
   • Understand your own metrics
Researching a Journal
Picking a Journal

1. What are the journal’s topic areas?
   • Aim for the most similar content
   • Is it popular in your field?
   • Interdisciplinary vs subject specific

2. What is the journal’s mission statement?
Picking a Journal

3. What are the journal’s impact factors? **Aim high but not too high.**

4. Read recent articles
   - titles & formatting
   - Check the library or use ILL
Picking a Journal

1. Is it peer-reviewed double blind?
2. What is the acceptance rate (inverse correlation with JIF)?
3. What is the publication/notification timeline?
4. Are there any fees?

Select 1 journal, and 1 or 2 backups
# Journal Evaluation Tools

## Quantitative
- Standardized Metrics
  - Journal Impact Factors (JIFs)
  - acceptance rates
  - citations
- Popularity Rankings in your Field
  - Professional organizations recommend

## Qualitative
- Topics/Focus/Mission
- Quality of papers recently published
- Editorial Board/Professional Associations
Browzine

• SJR indicator:
  • Weighted Citations for 3 years
  • Journal reputation/ importance
### Biomedical and Health Sciences

#### CATEGORIES

- All Journals
- Biomedical and Health Sciences, General/Interdisciplinary
- Communication Sciences and Disorders

#### Communication Sciences and Disorders

- All Journals
- Audiology
- Communication Sciences and Disorders - General
- Communication Sciences - Training and Professional Issues

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**Browzine**
Elsevier Journal Finder helps you find journals that could be best suited for publishing your scientific article. Please also consult the journal's Aims and Scope for further guidance. Ultimately, the Editor will decide on how well your article matches the journal.

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Journal Impact Factors (JIF)

• **Journal impact factors (JIF):** how often the average article in a journal is cited in 1 year.

• **Where to Find JIF:**
  - Journal’s Website
  - Scimago Journal and Country Rank
  - SCI Journal Impact Factor List

• **Aim high but not too high**

High JIF = High Quality
Low Acceptance Rate
Journal Impact Factors (JIF)
SJR
Scimago Journal & Country Rank

Scrimago
Peer Review?

- Library Databases
  - Use Journal Title Search
- Journal’s official website
  - Submission instructions
    - Requires multiple copies
- masthead of the publication
Journal of Speech, Language, and Hearing Research

Volume 61, Number 3, March 2018
https://doi.org/10.1044/2018_Mar2018JSLHRMasthead

Mission

*JSLHR* publishes peer-reviewed research and other scholarly articles on the normal and disordered processes in speech, language, hearing, and related areas such as cognition, oral-motor function, and swallowing. The journal is an international outlet for both basic research on communication processes and clinical research pertaining to screening, diagnosis, and management of communication disorders as well as the etiologies and characteristics of these disorders. *JSLHR* seeks to advance evidence-based practice by disseminating the results of new studies as well as providing a forum for critical reviews and meta-analyses of previously published work.
Journal’s Official Website

- Editorial Board
- Peer-review/editing process
- Author instructions and publication timeline
- Acceptance rate*
- JIF*
- Previous issues
  - Also check the library
Open Access Journals
What is Open Access (OA)?

OPEN-ACCESS (OA):
LITERATURE THAT IS DIGITAL,
ONLINE, FREE, AND FREE OF MOST
COPYRIGHT AND LICENSING
RESTRICTIONS

Source: Peter Suber: http://www.earlham.edu/~peters/fos/brief.htm
OA Journal Truths

• Reputable Options have:
  • same peer review process
  • Indexed in the same databases
  • Listed in Journal Impact tools
  • Can have high JIF
  • Provide “financial aid” options
Journals with OA Options

- Traditional Journal publishers provide open access option to authors
- Compliance with funding requirements
Benefits of OA

• More access = more readers
• More readers = More citations
Protect Yourself

- Be cautious of solicitation emails
- Avoid unrealistic turn around times
- Avoid online-only versions of a reputable journal
- Not in Journal search tools or in Directory of Open Access Journals
- Recently created website or suspicious website ownership
  - InterNIC Whois search
Beall’s List
Personal Metrics
Online Presence

Journals editors and peer reviews can/will “google” you
Measures of Success

- **h5-index (Hirsch index)**: measure of how many publications a researcher has and the times they have been cited by others for the last 5 years
  - Ex. H-index: 5 → 5 published papers, each cited at least 5 times.
  - Better quality = higher H-index

- **Altmetrics**: “quality and quantity of attention that a scholarly work” on social media, citations, and downloads
  - Dimensions
Social Media For Scholars

Benefits:

• Share your work to increase visibility and potential for collaboration

• Track your scholarship progress with metrics

• Stay up to date on the latest research in your field
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Check Your Publisher’s Policies

http://www.sherpa.ac.uk/romeo/index.php

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Google Scholar Profiles

Benefits:

• See who is citing your publications
• Find your h-index
Steps:
1. Log in with a Gmail account
2. Fill in your information
Step 3: Find yourself and your articles among the list of author suggestions
Step 4: Decide your settings

Article updates
Scholar automatically finds your new articles and changes to existing articles.
- Apply updates automatically
- Email me updates for review

Profile visibility
Public profiles help your peers find and follow your work. They also come with a personalized reading list.
- Make my profile public

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- Drug Design
- Pharmaceuticals
- Enzymology
- Entrepreneurship
- Intellectual Property

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![Graph of citations and h-index over years](image)
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- **h-index**: 26 (12 since 2015)
- **10-index**: 49 (16 since 2015)

2019 Profile
Faculty Research Help
Reference Services for Faculty

- Assist in locating materials
- Help with Inter-library Loan
- Help identify organizations or sources outside of the library
- Help with citation managers
- Cover advanced search techniques
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Scholarly Publishing Resources

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  - The Journal of Faculty Development
  - Higher Education Research and Development

- Subject Terms:
  - Scholarly publishing
  - Faculty publishing
  - Academic writing
Sources

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