

## **JMSR Guidelines for Special Issue Proposals**

The editorial team of the *Journal of Management, Spirituality and Religion* invites the academic community to submit proposals for a Special Issue to be published in 2025/2026.

The proposal will demonstrate its potential to be a high-impact scholarly research collection on a relevant topic within the MSR domain:

*“MSR explores how spirituality and religion can influence organizational dynamics and affect management outcomes. In that regard, MSR is devoted to defining the relevance and impact of spirituality and religion in management, organizations and society. Major areas of study include theory building and empirical research around the issues of faith, spirituality and religion as they influence principles and practices in management. Important contributions have been made in MSR research to better understand the meaning of work, the impact of spirituality and spiritual leadership in the workplace, the purpose of business, the affects of religious pluralism in the workplace, and the distinctive elements of individual religious and spiritual beliefs that cultivate inner awareness and promote wisdom for the common good.”*

Submissions should focus on opportunities, issues and concerns that highlight directions for future inquiries on issues that matter to the academic community to include the interests of management and organizational practice.

Proposals should be no more than three pages of text, double-spaced. References, tables, and appendices do not count against this page limit.

Proposals must also include the following:

1. Background and rationale for the Special Issue
2. Why it would be of interest to the MSR community and the readership of the Journal
3. Potential (named) contributors
4. References
5. Submission deadline

Special Issue Guest Editors biographical note should be included on page four.

Submissions will be evaluated with respect to the following areas of contribution:

1. **Relevance:** The extent to which the proposed SI thoroughly deals with a significant and important research area of interest to the field of Management, Spirituality and Religion.
2. **Theoretical Impact:** The potential of the SI to bear important implications for management theory and scholarship.
3. **Practical Impact:** The potential of the SI to bear important implications for management and organizational practice.
4. **Spiritual Impact:** The potential of the SI to bear important implications for defining theories and practices that integrate Spirituality within the cross-disciplinary domains of research and practice.
5. **Promise:** Likelihood of commitment and completion (assessed through consideration of completed and ongoing projects of the Guest Editors, i.e., editing SIs, books; editorial board roles, relevant research and publications).

General procedure and relevant dates are anticipated as follows:

1. Establish deadline for receiving paper outlines by the SI's guest editors.
2. Provide feedback to authors inviting them to submit full papers.
3. Full papers received by SI's associate editor.
4. Review papers through ScholarOne.
5. Provide feedback from SI's editors to authors.
6. Revised papers submitted for final review.
7. Final paper versions submitted to Editor.
8. Editorial comments developed.
9. Final Version of SI submitted to JMSR.

Please send initial inquiries and proposal submissions to Dr. Orneita Burton, Special Issues Editor at [orneita.burton@coba.acu.edu](mailto:orneita.burton@coba.acu.edu).

Thank you for your interest and support.