

Ethical Policies for International Journal of Behavioral Science (IJBS)

The IJBS aims to uphold the best practices for ensuring high standards of ethics in publication of the journal. The ethical standards must cover all aspects of publishing the journal including the procedure, editorial inputs, peer review and also the contributions by the authors. The journal would continuously strive to make efforts to reflect, review and improve the ethical practices.

Publishing Procedure

- IJBS accepts research papers and articles which are original.
- IJBS cannot accept papers which are duplicated, and plagiarized (including contents like figures, tables, data, etc.).
- Allows and accepts submissions from diverse backgrounds that do not discriminate on any grounds.
- Adherence to the procedures set for the journal, beginning from paper acceptance to paper publishing, and dissemination.
- IJBS assumes responsibility for environmental concern to make the journal “green” by taking actions to reduce printed materials.

Editorial Responsibility

- The editorial board must be selected on the basis of their expertise and diversity.
- All members of the editorial team must uphold the ethical principles in decisions related to IJBS.
- If any issues and/or conflicts arise, these would be addressed in a professional manner.

Peer review

- Selection of reviewers is based on expertise in the area.
- Reviewers are responsible for viewing papers in terms of all the criteria set up for the IJBS.
- In case of a problem, such as conflict of interest or any links with the reviewed paper, the reviewer must address this issue by bringing it forward to the Editor.

Authorship

- Original papers and work must be sent for publishing; that have not been published before.
- Author is responsible for their papers in terms of matching it with the objectives of IJBS, the standard format, completeness, acknowledging sources, and also including the names of all authors who have contributed to the submitted work.
- Ethics must be upheld in all aspects of the research process, including data collection, ensuring confidentiality of the participants, and also taking their acceptance to participate in the research, and the ethical treatment of the subjects (including animals).