

## The International journal of Open Youth Work

**How to contribute:** □ Contributions to the journal could come from, academic researchers/scholars, youth workers and stakeholders whom is active and/or have a professional or political interest in youth work. The journal encourages joint ventures among them with academic researcher/scholars as one part. The journal consequently opens up for various forms of co-writing where scholars write together with practitioners.

**Deadlines:** The 2nd issue will be published online in November 2017, with the first deadline on August 1st. 2017.

**Scope:** We welcome a variety of submissions, below is a descriptor of the acceptable forms.

- **Research:** between 3000 and 5000 words Present co-created research where researchers and practitioners/stakeholders write together on joint ventures; for instance on projects of action research or theoretically grounded projects aiming to develop youth work or to develop the organisation or management of youth work. Peer review procedure. The contributions will be read and commented by both a scholar and a practitioner/stakeholder.
- **Articles:** between 3000 and 5000 words in length The article should contain an extended discussion on theoretical and/or methodological (research) issues concerning open youth work connected to the research project at hand.
- **Peer review and a substantial popular summary (2-3 pages)** must be added, where the direct relevance for the practice, organisation and/or management of open youth work shall be presented and discussed. The contributions will be read and commented by both a scholar and a practitioner
- **Critical Conversations or Provocation piece** between 1000 and 2000 words Present an article containing experiences of youth work and/or thoughts on youth work in order to highlight and discuss conditions, possibilities and problems in or connected to open youth work in a broader sense. The aim is to create debate or open up for new perspectives. Contributions from youth workers are welcome. The contributions will be read and commented by both a scholar and a practitioner/stakeholder.
- **Good Practice Sharing:** between 1000 and 2000 words Present an article where practitioners, researchers or stakeholders writes alone or together on joint ventures; for instance on a youth worker is interviewed about a new dynamic piece of youth work practice and this is written up to share good practice. Peer review procedure. The contributions will be read and commented by both a scholar and a practitioner/stakeholder.
- **National or European Policy Reviews:** between 1500 and 2000 words Present an overview and critical commentary about specific and related National or International policy, with a focus on the impact for practice and young people

- Book Reviews: between 500 and 1000 words Provide a review of new books and or journal articles that especially focus upon youth work methodology and its broadest subject of interest.

Submissions will be read by the chief and managing editor, before being submitted to a system of blind refereeing by two external assessors. Articles should be emailed in Word. The text should be one-and-a-half spacing with left hand margins of 1.5 inches (4cm). There should be double-spacing between paragraphs. Figures, tables and acknowledgments should be on separate sheets, with their approximate position indicated in the text margin. Illustrations and graphs should be to 'camera ready' copy standard. Drawings should be in sharp black on white paper.

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Please use italic type for the titles of books and periodicals. Notes and references should normally be given, in alphabetical order by author, at the end of the article. In citing references please use the **Harvard** referencing for books and articles.

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