

Call for proposals for special issues:

Children & Society 2017-18

Children & Society publishes one guest-edited Special Issues per volume. Children & Society's editorial board welcomes proposals for Special Issues for 2017 and 2018 to be submitted to the Journal editors by September 1st for consideration at the autumn editorial board meeting.

Proposals should be submitted via email to Thomas Gaston (candsoffice@wiley.com).

Potential guest editors should submit a proposal of no longer than 3 pages covering:

Rationale: The timeliness, importance and international interest of the topic.

Fit with Children & Society's **aims and scope**

Indicative contents: Titles, authors and abstracts should be provided, including an editorial.

Timetable, indicating deadlines for submissions, review process, revisions and final submissions to C&S in early 2017 or 2018 for May publication (issue 3). Guest editors should also clarify whether they will be including an open call for papers and if so factor this into their timetable.

Each Special Issue should amount to 45,000 words in total, which includes the editorial, abstracts, papers and references. This would usually equate to 7 papers plus the editorial.

Responsibilities of guest editors:

- To ensure manuscripts are in keeping with Children & Society guidelines (see website).
- To ensure articles are peer refereed by two external independent reviewers.
- To deal with all correspondence with the contributors, Journal editors and Wiley production editor.
- To provide an introductory editorial.
- To liaise with nominated editors.
- To ensure delivery of the final manuscript to the nominated editor.

Responsibilities of Journal editors:

A nominated link editor will:

- facilitate the preparation of the Special Issue and;
- provide final quality control for the Issue.

Criteria for special editions

Criteria for judging special editions are based on the vision for the journal as a key publication in the area of childhood studies. These are:

- An explicitly interdisciplinary approach;
- An international approach that fosters dialog between minority and majority worlds
- Evidence of theoretical sophistication with applied engagement with practice and policy;
- Engaging contributions that provide high impact and wide interest to enhance the profile and research engagement/citations of the journal
- Contributions that theoretically address change and the emergent policies and practice that have an impact upon children and young people in 'new times'.

The board has identified the following themes as indicative of areas in which we would welcome contributions.

- Children and climate change
- Decentralisation, devolution and decision-making
- Transnationalism as expressed through adoption and surrogacy
- Children and poverty