ACADEMIC JOURNALS WITH A FOCUS ON YOUTH

**A Journal of Youth Work: Research and Positive Practices in Work with Young People**

The Journal of Youth Work provided a forum for critical reflection on practice and for the dissemination of research that contributes to the development of youth work and to understanding the conditions in which young people live, rest, work and play. The Journal is concerned with the transfer of knowledge about issues that affect young people and about analysis of the circumstances that enable them to flourish. The Journal provides a forum for academics and practitioners to pose problems, consider policy and practice, and create hopeful multidisciplinary conversations. At its core, the Journal seeks to reverse age-based discrimination, to ensure that young people thrive and are regarded in a positive light by each other and by the rest of society. The Journal is therefore concerned with, for example, education, health, housing and policy fields, including interests in social and cultural capital, social psychology and a variety of other contemporary research and practice matters. Drawing often, but not exclusively from Scottish experience, the Journal is published online three times a year and contains refereed articles, research papers, policy analysis and book reviews. It is addressed to academic specialists, researchers and practitioners in a range of disciplines and to those involved in making policies affecting young people.

**Canadian Journal of Family and Youth**

The Canadian Journal of Family and Youth (CJFY), published once a year is a fully refereed interdisciplinary journal. Responding to the diversification of scholarly interests and regional concerns, the journal will be an outlet for Canadian and comparative scholarship on the changing dynamics of the family and the social situation of youth. Relevant papers might come from any discipline including Criminology, Political Science, Economics, Sociology, English, Philosophy, Business or Science. Scholarly debates on family related themes could refer to such topics as community and other social contexts, family dynamics, life course events, domestic violence, dating, marriage, and divorce but also ethnicity, racism, social class, gender, and ageism. Youth-related themes could include family issues, community, education, paid and volunteer work, youth-directed marketing, sports, delinquency and gangs, and so on. Journal articles, reports, commentaries, poems, and short stories that are presented in accessible language will be welcome, along with book reviews on family and youth. The Editors also strongly encourage the submission of graduate and undergraduate student papers.

**Child and Youth Care Forum**

Child & Youth Care Forum is a peer-reviewed, multidisciplinary publication that welcomes submissions – original empirical research papers and theoretical reviews as well as invited commentaries – on children, youth, and families. Contributions to Child & Youth Care Forum are submitted by researchers, practitioners, and clinicians across the interrelated disciplines of child psychology, early childhood, education, medical anthropology, pediatrics, pediatric psychology, psychiatry, public policy, school/educational psychology, social work, and sociology as well as government agencies and corporate and nonprofit organizations that seek to advance current knowledge and practice.
Child and Youth Care Work – South Africa

Child and Youth Care Work is the journal of the National Association of Child Care Workers; which has been working to promote optimal standards of care for orphaned, vulnerable and at-risk children in South Africa.

Children and Youth Services Review

Children and Youth Services Review is an interdisciplinary forum for critical scholarship regarding service programs for children and youth.

Children, Youth and Environments

The CYE journal is a peer-reviewed, multi-disciplinary, online journal, highlighting the physical environments where children and youth live, learn, work and play. The journal values the capacity of children and young people to meaningfully participate in the processes that shape their lives, and publishes papers from distinct viewpoints, varied approaches, and diverse cultures and regions around the world.

Child and Youth Services

Child & Youth Services is an international academic journal devoted to advancing knowledge and thinking about relational engagement with children, youth, their families, and communities. Recognizing that children and youth, no matter what challenges they may face, are citizens of the world, the journal is a forum for dialogue among the international community of scholars and practitioners concerned with the lives of young people.

Commonwealth Youth and Development Journal

Commonwealth Youth and Development is a multidisciplinary biannual publication that seeks to promote understanding of, and impetus for, the empowerment of the youth which will enable them to play a crucial and constructive role in the development of their communities. It recognises the importance of the youth and youth workers in developing countries and seeks to promote the professionalisation of youth work. The journal is aimed at students, academics, practitioners and policymakers in the field of youth and development. It publishes research and writing by academics and practitioners, providing a platform for rigorous debate about policies, programmes and processes. Contributions focus on the developing world and have international, regional or national focus, and are in the form of research findings, work in progress, notes from the field, case studies, interviews and book reviews. Commonwealth Youth and Development has a dynamic international editorial board in which the Pan Commonwealth Office and eight universities.
International Journal of Adolescence and Youth

International Journal of Adolescence and Youth aims to identify, examine and compare particular issues, problems and policies related to adolescents and youth throughout the world. Subject areas covered include psychological growth and development, health and medical care, delinquency, social policy, employment and unemployment, education and training, spiritual and physical development, leisure, family relationships, sex education, homelessness. The Journal will be of interest to researchers in those areas, university and other higher education institutions, as well as to international, central and local government and voluntary organizations and field work agencies.

International Journal of Child, Youth and Family Studies

The International Journal of Child, Youth and Family Studies (IJCYFS) is a peer reviewed, open access, interdisciplinary, cross-national journal that is committed to scholarly excellence in the field of research about and services for children, youth, families and their communities.

Journal of Adolescent and Family Health

The Journal of Adolescent and Family Health promotes positive adolescent and family health through the publication of original articles. The journal makes a unique attempt at providing an interdisciplinary forum that mixes clinical innovation, practice wisdom, and theory, with academic rigor and excellence. The journal publishes articles that helping professionals and the public find relevant and the academic community finds credible.

Journal of Adolescent Research

The aim of the Journal of Adolescent Research is to publish informative and dynamic articles from a variety of disciplines that focus on development during adolescence (ages 10 to 18) and early emerging adulthood (18-22). We are particularly interested in papers that use mixed-methods, systematically combining qualitative and quantitative data and analyses. We also seek rigorous qualitative research using a variety of strategies including ethnography, in-depth interviews, case studies, photo elicitation, and the like. Our goal is to expand upon the understanding of a diverse range of experiences of adolescents and emerging adults across a variety of contexts.

Journal of LGBT Youth

The Journal of LGBT Youth is the interdisciplinary forum dedicated to improving the quality of life for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and questioning youth. This quarterly journal presents peer-reviewed scholarly articles, practitioner-based essays, policy analyses, and revealing narratives from young people. This invaluable resource is committed to advancing knowledge about, and support of, LGBT youth. The wide-ranging topics include formal and non-formal education; family; peer culture; the media, arts, and entertainment industry; religious institutions and youth organizations; health care; and the workplace.
Journal of Research on Adolescence

The Journal of Research on Adolescence (JRA) presents methodological and theoretical papers of the highest standards of scholarship. Studies are featured that use diverse methods including multivariate, longitudinal, demographic, clinical, ethnographic, and experimental analyses. Cross-national, cross-cultural, and studies of gender, ethnic, and racial diversity are of particular interest. Members of SRA receive online access to the Journal, which is published four times per year, and are encouraged to submit original papers for peer review and publication.

Journal of Youth and Adolescence

Journal of Youth and Adolescence provides a single, high-level medium of communication for psychologists, psychiatrists, biologists, criminologists, educators, and professionals in many other allied disciplines who address the subject of youth and adolescence. The journal publishes papers based on quantitative analyses, theoretical papers, and comprehensive review articles. The journal especially welcomes empirically rigorous papers that take policy implications seriously. Research need not have been designed to address policy needs, but manuscripts must address implications for the manner society formally (e.g., through laws, policies or regulations) or informally (e.g., through parents, peers, and social institutions) responds to the period of youth and adolescence.

Journal of Youth and Theology

The Journal of Youth and Theology is an international peer-reviewed academic journal developed and originally published by the IASYM, now published by Brill. The journal aims at furthering the academic study and research of youth and youth ministry, and the formal teaching and training of youth ministry. The academic efforts are rooted in the Christian theological tradition and ecumenical. The scope of the journal is to serve scholarship in the broad field of children, youth, faith, church, theology and culture. Research articles in the journal mainly have theology (both practical, systematic and biblical theology) as a core discipline. At the same time, contributions are often interdisciplinary, which implies theological reflection combined with e.g. pedagogical, sociological or psychological perspectives.

Journal of Youth Development

The Journal of Youth Development, an open-source, peer-reviewed, quarterly online publication dedicated to advancing youth development practice and research. JYD serves applied researchers and evaluators as well as practitioners who work in youth-serving organizations or the intermediaries that support them. JYD is the official journal of two of the largest professional associations for those working with and on behalf of young people, the National Association of Extension 4-H Agents (NAE4-HA) and the National Afterschool Association (NAA).

Journal of Youth Studies

Journal of Youth Studies is an international scholarly journal devoted to a theoretical and empirical understanding of young people’s experiences and life contexts. Rapidly changing socio-economic
circumstances have had important implications for young people: new opportunities have been created, but the risks of marginalisation and exclusion have also become significant. Launched in 1998, the Journal of Youth Studies has established itself as the leading multidisciplinary journal for academics with interests relating to youth and young adulthood.

**Latin American Review of Social Sciences, Childhood and Youth**

The Latin American Journal in Social sciences, Childhood and Youth is a half-yearly publication that presents research and inter- and transdisciplinary meta-analysis, in order to advance the debate and knowledge about the Colombian and Latin American childhood and youth.

**New Directions for Youth Development**

New Directions for Youth Development: Theory, Practice, and Research is a quarterly publication focusing on contemporary issues challenging the field of youth development. A defining focus of the journal is the relationship among theory, research, and practice. In particular, NDYD is dedicated to recognizing resilience as well as risk, and healthy development of our youth as well as the difficulties of adolescence. The journal is intended as a forum for provocative discussion that reaches across the worlds of academia, service, philanthropy, and policy.

**Preventing School Failure: Alternative Education for Children and Youth**

Preventing School Failure provides a forum in which to examine critically emerging and evidence-based practices that are both data driven and practical for children and youth in general and alternative education systems. Authors are afforded the opportunity to discuss and debate critical and sometimes controversial issues that affect the education of children and adolescents in various settings. Preventing School Failure is a peer-reviewed academic journal for administrators, educators, mental health workers, juvenile justice and corrections personnel, day and residential treatment personnel, staff-development specialists, teacher educators, and others. Our goal is to share authoritative and timely information with a wide-ranging audience dedicated to serving children and adolescents in general education, special education, and alternative education programs.

**Reclaiming Children and Youth**

"Practical," "powerful," and "positive," this journal continues to provide concise, informative articles from leading educators and youth workers.

**Relational Child and Youth Care Practice**

Formerly the Journal of Child and Youth Care, this journal focusses on all aspects of youth work, and the care and protection of children and young people.
Residential Treatment for Children & Youth

Residential Treatment for Children & Youth is a peer-reviewed journal and the official journal of the American Association of Children’s Residential Centers (AACRC), the leading US professional organization in the field of residential care for children and youth. Residential Treatment for Children & Youth aims to be a bridge between research, theory and practice / policy, providing guidance and direction to residential care providers and practitioners to improve services for vulnerable children and youth in child welfare, mental health and juvenile justice systems.

Sociological Studies of Children and Youth

The series provides an outlet for social scientists whose reports on their work with children or youth may not 'fit' in traditional academic journals due to the length of their pieces or for other reasons.

Vulnerable Children and Youth Studies

Vulnerable Children and Youth Studies is an essential peer-reviewed journal analyzing vulnerability in childhood from a scholarly and experiential perspective so that learning and good practice can be discussed and disseminated with the ultimate goal of improving the lives of children. The focus includes psychological, sociological, health, gender, cultural, economic, and educational aspects of children and adolescents in developed and developing countries.

Voluntaris – Journal of Volunteer Services

Voluntaris aims to combine scientific and applied perspectives on volunteer services. The 1st volume is scheduled for 2013. The editors want to foster international academic exchange on volunteer services, volunteerism, citizenship service and related topics.

Young – Nordic Journal of Youth Research

YOUNG is an international scholarly journal of youth research, which seeks to publish innovative and outstanding theoretical, textual, and empirical research on the life situation of young people. The journal has an interdisciplinary profile and welcomes original articles that integrate perspectives from different approaches and research traditions. The aim of YOUNG is to bring young people’s experiences to the centre of analysis with a view to strengthening and promoting multidisciplinary, contemporary and historical youth research with an international perspective. The journal is a forum for critical discussion and encourages submission of papers from all countries and contexts.

Youth & Policy

Youth and Policy Journal was founded in 1982 to offer a critical space for the discussion of youth policy and youth work theory and practice.
**Youth and Society**

Youth & Society is a multidisciplinary peer-reviewed journal that focuses on issues related to the 10-24 year old population. We are interested in both U.S. and global adolescent populations. Although the adolescent period is the focus of the journal, transitional issues from childhood to adolescence and from adolescence to adulthood are also of interest. Relevant topics include a wide array of issues ranging from individual level factors to policy concerns pertinent to adolescence. We are particularly interested in the social, contextual, and political factors that influence healthy and harmful adolescent development. We are open to a range of both quantitative and qualitative methodologies.

**Youth Voice Journal**

Youth Voice Journal (YVJ) is an international, multidisciplinary, peer reviewed journal that publishes theoretical contributions and empirical studies on issues affecting young people worldwide. The Journal encourages submissions from young researchers and young people and it is particularly interested in publishing papers, reviews and commentaries exploring the youth-led method of evidence gathering.

**Youth Justice: An International Journal**

Youth Justice is an international, peer-reviewed journal that engages with the analyses of juvenile/youth justice systems, law, policy and practice around the world. It contains articles that are theoretically informed and/or grounded in the latest empirical research.

**Youth Media Reporter**

Welcome to the Youth Media Reporter--an open access, peer-reviewed professional journal for scholars, practitioners and others who develop, organize, teach, study and support youth media practices and programs. YMR includes research articles, descriptive case studies, brief reports from the field, and reviews of scholarship, technologies, conferences and other events related to the practices, pedagogies, and analysis of youth media. The journal focuses particular attention on the implications of media making for empowering young people's identities, agency, voice, and civic action.

**Youth Studies Ireland**

Youth Studies Ireland is the first professional youth studies journal to be published in Ireland and was established in 2006. The journal, represented the coming together of people interested in youth affairs throughout the island of Ireland.

**Youth Studies Australia**

Youth Studies Australia was a peer-reviewed journal that for 32 years provided interdisciplinary, research-based information and analysis on issues affecting Australians from early adolescence to
young adulthood. It ceased publication in December 2013 after funding was withdrawn in March 2013.

**Youth Theatre Journal**
Youth Theatre Journal is a refereed journal which draws its contributions from a wide community of researchers, philosophers, educators, and performance theorists. Youth Theatre Journal welcomes 4,000-6,000 word articles which report on and discuss research and methodological issues from the point of view of philosophy, history, educational theory, sociology, critical theory, and comparative studies. The journal focuses on the dissemination of ideas relating to practical and theoretical developments in the field of theatre and performance by, with, and for children and youth and drama/theatre education.

**Youth Violence and Juvenile Justice**
Youth Violence and Juvenile Justice: An Interdisciplinary Journal provides academics and practitioners in juvenile justice and related fields with a resource for publishing current empirical research, discussing theoretical issues, and reviewing promising interventions and programs in the areas of youth violence, juvenile justice, and school safety. The journal places a decided emphasis on applicability of the research and writing to the fields of juvenile justice and youth and school violence prevention. It particularly encourages the publication of program evaluations, policy analyses, empirical research, and practical, theoretical, legal, and qualitative analyses.

Interdisciplinary in scope, Youth Violence and Juvenile Justice serves a diverse audience of academics and practitioners in the fields of criminal justice, education, psychology, social work, behavior analysis, sociology, law, counseling, public health, and all others with an interest in youth violence, juvenile justice, and school safety.