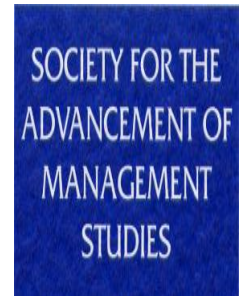


Department of Business Management



How to Craft a Journal Article? Workshop for Young Researchers and Post Graduate Students in Management Studies in Africa

DATE: 5th, 12th and 19th of NOVEMBER, 2021

VENUE: HYBRID

Rationale and Objectives

Recently in many countries in Africa, it has become mandatory for any professionals within the academic sphere to publish articles in refereed journals to gain promotion. Similarly, many postgraduate students including master and PhD candidates are required to publish a journal article before they graduate. We understand the importance of publication but it is our considered observation that this would not be easy to many postgraduate students. Furthermore, this would contribute to the reduction of the number of postgraduate students who graduate on time as well in the future.

On the same note, there are limited chances for African researchers to publish in good refereed journals globally; among the constraints, include language barriers and inadequate academic writing skills. In general, these decrease chances of sharing and disseminating knowledge generated in the Global South. To address this challenge we are proposing to conduct a workshop on academic writing skills for new academic staff and postgraduate students. Our expectation is that after training, the trainees would be empowered to develop publishable book chapters and journal articles.

Target Group and Eligibility

This training is aimed at bringing together novice academicians, researchers in higher institutions in Africa, Post graduate researchers (PhD and Master Students) who are interested in learning how to craft journal articles. The workshop invites research that draws from a broad range of theoretical and methodological approaches. We will be happy to receive submissions in the management field with a focus on *finance, accounting, marketing, business management, retailing, services marketing, international business/marketing, strategy, innovation, international management, organization behaviour, entrepreneurship, public administration, project management, procurement and supply chain, economics, econometric finance, agribusiness and human resources.*

We understand that management can be integrated in different fields such as agriculture, health sector, sociology, laws, tourism, engineering and psychology. We will be happy to welcome researchers from the aforementioned field as well. Please you may contact Program Coordinator for discussion at **nandonde@sua.ac.tz**.

Workshop Format and Structure

The workshop will be structured in three main parts:

1. **Editors-In-Chief Clinic:** For participants to learn what it takes for their papers to be accepted in the academic journals, they will have the opportunity to learn from Editors-in-Chief with experience in conducting research in Africa.
2. **Lecture Sessions:** This workshop will introduce participants to the generic features of a journal article. Specifically, participants will learn how to develop solid research arguments in the **introduction section** by crafting and presenting research issues in this section. They will learn to develop a convincing **literature review section** by grounding both theory/concept/framework/model and empirical literature review in a systematic way without losing the context (area of research). This will help participants to anchor their research objective/questions in literature review to achieve research coherence.

Furthermore, participants will examine what it takes to write a good **methodological section** for a journal article. The focus will be on both methods (qualitative, quantitative and mixed methods). Experienced scholars from the field of management will offer insights on how to best present a methodological section. After this section, the workshop will focus on how to write **finding section** for a journal article. More focus will be on different styles that are proposed by journals.

Finally, the workshop will introduce participants to writing a comprehensive **discussion and conclusion section** for a journal article. It will entail what to include in this section, how to present your argument or claim, your contribution to the body of knowledge, your theoretical contribution and areas for further research?

3. **Reviewers Conner:** All submitted papers will be reviewed and comments will be shared to participants during the workshop.

Application Process

Applications should be sent by email to the program coordinators by **20 October 2021**. Each application should include a draft of an article, one page CV illustrating a publication section and passport size picture. The paper should be not less than 5000 words and not more than 6000 words without reference. Main parts of your paper has to include **Abstract, Introduction, Literature Review, Finding, Discussion and Conclusion and References**.

Program Fees

The workshop is scheduled for 5th, 12th and 19th November, 2021. As the COVID crisis continues, the workshop will be hybrid (virtual and partial face-to-face). Only for 30 participants in Morogoro, Tanzania will be on face-to-face. There are no workshop fees for accepted participants. Expenses for the organization of the workshop will be covered by **the Society for Advancement in Management Studies (SAMS)**. No allowances or accommodation cost will be covered for this training.

You may send your application to

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Our Faculty

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