

PUBLICATION ETHICS

The **Journal of Integrated Development and Public Policy (JIDPP)** is committed to maintaining the highest standards of publication ethics, research integrity, transparency, and academic excellence. The journal expects all participants in the publication process—including authors, editors, reviewers, and the publisher—to uphold ethical conduct throughout the submission, peer review, and publication process.

JIDPP follows the principles and best practices of the **Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE)** and is committed to ensuring that all published research is original, accurate, transparent, and ethically conducted.

Responsibilities of Authors

Authors submitting manuscripts to JIDPP are expected to:

- Submit only original and unpublished work.
 - Ensure that the manuscript is not under consideration by another journal simultaneously.
 - Accurately present research methods, findings, and conclusions without fabrication, falsification, or inappropriate data manipulation.
 - Properly acknowledge the work and contributions of others through appropriate citation.
 - Obtain all necessary ethical approvals for research involving human participants, animals, or sensitive data.
 - Disclose all sources of research funding.
 - Declare any actual or potential conflicts of interest.
 - Cooperate fully with the editorial office during the peer review and publication process.
 - Promptly notify the editor if significant errors are discovered after publication.
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Responsibilities of Editors

Editors are responsible for:

- Making editorial decisions based solely on the scholarly merit of the manuscript.
- Ensuring a fair, objective, confidential, and timely peer review process.
- Maintaining editorial independence from commercial, institutional, or political influences.
- Avoiding discrimination based on nationality, gender, ethnicity, religion, institutional affiliation, or political beliefs.
- Managing conflicts of interest appropriately.

- Taking appropriate action when ethical concerns or research misconduct are identified.
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Responsibilities of Reviewers

Peer reviewers are expected to:

- Conduct reviews objectively, fairly, and constructively.
 - Maintain strict confidentiality of all submitted manuscripts.
 - Evaluate manuscripts solely on scientific quality, originality, significance, and methodological rigor.
 - Identify relevant published work that has not been cited.
 - Inform the editor of any suspected plagiarism, duplicate publication, or ethical concerns.
 - Decline review assignments when conflicts of interest exist or when they lack sufficient expertise.
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Responsibilities of the Publisher

The publisher supports the editorial team in maintaining the integrity of the scholarly record by:

- Safeguarding editorial independence.
 - Providing an effective publication platform.
 - Preserving published articles through appropriate archiving systems.
 - Supporting ethical publishing practices.
 - Taking corrective action when publication misconduct is confirmed.
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Research Integrity

JIDPP has zero tolerance for:

- Plagiarism
- Self-plagiarism
- Duplicate submission
- Duplicate publication
- Data fabrication
- Data falsification
- Citation manipulation
- Image manipulation
- Undisclosed conflicts of interest
- Authorship misconduct
- Peer review manipulation

Any allegation of research misconduct will be investigated according to internationally recognized ethical standards.

Corrections and Retractions

When significant errors or ethical violations are identified, JIDPP may publish:

- Corrections (Errata)
- Expressions of Concern
- Retractions
- Editorial Notes

The appropriate action will be determined after careful investigation by the editorial board.

Conflicts of Interest

All authors, editors, and reviewers must disclose any financial, professional, institutional, or personal relationships that could influence the objectivity of the publication process.

Where conflicts exist, appropriate measures will be taken to ensure impartial editorial decisions.

Ethical Oversight

Research involving human participants, animals, personal data, or other sensitive materials must comply with applicable national regulations and internationally accepted ethical standards.

Authors may be required to provide documentation of ethical approval during the editorial process.

Complaints and Appeals

Authors may submit appeals regarding editorial decisions or complaints concerning the editorial process.

All appeals and complaints will be reviewed fairly, transparently, and independently by the Editor-in-Chief or an appointed editorial committee.

Post-Publication Discussions

JIDPP encourages responsible post-publication scholarly discussion. Legitimate concerns regarding published articles will be investigated promptly and, where appropriate, corrective actions will be taken to maintain the integrity of the scholarly record.

Commitment to Ethical Publishing

By submitting a manuscript to JIDPP, authors acknowledge that they have read, understood, and agreed to comply with this Publication Ethics Policy.

JIDPP remains committed to promoting ethical publishing, responsible research practices, editorial transparency, and the dissemination of high-quality scientific knowledge for the benefit of the global scholarly community.