

## **Guidelines for contributors**

The Italian Journal of Disability Studies (IJDS) is an annual peer-reviewed journal that is concerned with the study of disability from a Disability Studies perspective. Audience includes scholars, activists, students, practitioners and disabled people who are concerned with the issues of disability from a critical stance.

Each journal issue is dedicated to a single theme, which is selected by the scientific committee jointly. The journal only accepts unpublished papers written in Italian or in English language.

The Journal is publishing five different types of articles:

- a) Research based papers
- b) Theoretical works: literature reviews and/or studies of conceptual models
- c) Personal accounts and experiences of disability
- d) Critical analyses of policy and practice (at national and international levels)
- e) Translation of relevant articles into Italian

## **Submission rules**

Articles should be sent to the editor at: [simonadalessio@yahoo.it](mailto:simonadalessio@yahoo.it) and should be presented in the following format/layout:

### *Title*

Concise and precise, written in capital letters in bold on the first line of the first page at the top left corner.

### *Name of the author, institution or organization*

The complete name is to appear in the line right below the title, on the left side of the page, in bold. Under the name, the institution or the organisation should appear in Italics.

### *Abstract*

It must be descriptive and no longer than 400 words.

### *Key words*

Authors must choose 5 words to be placed immediately below the abstract

### *Acknowledgements*

To be placed in a special paragraph at the end of the article before the bibliography.

## **Selection procedure**

The papers will be submitted to the judgment of two referees chosen by the scientific committee and the editorial board of the journal (the name of the author and every other references will be omitted). Referees will evaluate and review the articles on the basis of a series of criteria that can be sent to authors on requests. Particular attention will be given to the originality of the contributions and the clarity of their expression.

## **Electronic Format of the accepted articles**

The manuscript is to be sent in Word, Word Compatible 97 (for Mac) or RTF formats.

### *General Criteria*

Articles are to be between **4.000 and 6.000 words** (or from 30,000 to 40,000 characters, spaces, figures and tables included)

The font must be Times New Roman, 12, single spacing, justified

## **References in the bibliography**

References must be made according to the APA style. The author is held responsible for quotation accuracy.