

***Disputatio* – International Journal of Philosophy**

Editorial Policy

The Evaluation of Submissions

Disputatio consists of the editors, the editorial board and the advisory board. The editorial board undertakes the responsibility of refereeing submissions. The advisory board gives advice on matters concerning the general policy of the journal. The editors are responsible for final decisions on submissions.

All unsolicited submissions to *Disputatio* are triple-blind refereed: the identity of the authors is not revealed to the referees, the identity of the referees is not revealed to the authors and the identity of the authors is not revealed to the editors.

The evaluation process has up to four stages, as follows:

- 1 Preliminary vetting by the editors.
- 2 Refereeing.
- 3 Scrutiny of submission and referees' reports by the editors.
- 4 Decision by the editors.

Referees are typically members of the editorial board. The editors' decision classifies the submission into one of the four categories: accepted, conditionally accepted, invited for resubmission after major revisions and rejected. Positive referees' reports are not a sufficient condition for acceptance and each decision is the editors' sole responsibility. Authors are advised that no version of a paper that has already been rejected will be considered for further submissions. Authors found guilty of multiple submission are not allowed to submit their work to *Disputatio* again for a period of 5 years.

On average, each evaluation process as detailed above takes around four months.

Special Issues

Disputatio welcomes the submission of proposals by guest editors to edit special issues (SIs) dedicated to particular topics or authors.

As a minimum, the proposal should include:

- 1 A motivation for the SI;
- 2 A list of prospective contributors and extended abstracts, giving a good idea of the main lines of argument;
- 3 A tentative time-line.

If the proposal is accepted, the guest editors commit to writing an introduction to the SI which explains its *raison d'être* and provides the required background for the general reader.

The evaluation process of individual papers should follow *Disputatio's* general refereeing and assessing policies (see The Evaluation of Submissions above and Guidelines for Reviewers at content.sciendo.com/view/journals/disp/disp-overview.xml), but will be run entirely by the guest editors. The editors-in-chief nevertheless have the last word on each paper and on the SI as a whole (and, to that purpose, reserve the right to inspect referees' reports whenever deemed necessary).

Conflicts of Interest

The editors will not submit to the journal during their term of office.

A submission by a member of the editorial board will be processed without involving her/him in any way in the assessment.

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