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Journal Recommendation Report

Client:

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Manuscript Title:

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Information from Author(s)

Title	[REDACTED]		
Has the paper been submitted previously?	No		
Do you have any preferred journals? Please state which one(s)	No		
Are there any journals you would prefer to exclude?	Published by Hindawi, MDPI and Frontiers		
How important is Open Access to you?			Low
How important is time to publication?	High		
How important is the journal's impact factor?		Medium	

Journal: Social Indicators Research Publisher: Springer		Rank: 1
Aims and Scope	<p>Since its foundation in 1974, <i>Social Indicators Research</i> has become the leading journal on problems related to the measurement of all aspects of the quality of life. The journal continues to publish results of research on all aspects of the quality of life and includes studies that reflect developments in the field. It devotes special attention to studies on such topics as sustainability of quality of life, sustainable development, and the relationship between quality of life and sustainability. The topics represented in the journal cover and involve a variety of segmentations, such as social groups, spatial and temporal coordinates, population composition, and life domains. The journal presents empirical, philosophical and methodological studies that cover the entire spectrum of society and are devoted to giving evidences through indicators. It considers indicators in their different typologies, and gives special attention to indicators that are able to meet the need of understanding social realities and phenomena that are increasingly more complex, interrelated, interacted and dynamical. In addition, it presents studies aimed at defining new approaches in constructing indicators.</p>	
Affiliation	None	
Impact Factor	2.935	
5-year IF	3.024	
CiteScore		
SNIP	1.327	
SJR	0.713	
Open Access	Optional	
Article Processing Charge	US\$2990 for open access	
Indexing	UGC CARE, Web of Science (SSCI), Scopus	
Peer Review Process	Double-blind peer review	
Frequency of Publication	18 issues per year	
Time to Publication	12 days from submission to first decision; time to publication not available	
Acceptance Rate	Not available	
Editor/Editor in Chief	Filomena Maggino, Sapienza University of Rome, Italy	
Instructions for Authors	https://www.springer.com/journal/11205/submission-guidelines	
Does the paper currently comply with the journal guidelines?	Word template Word count main text Word count abstract Citation/reference formatting	Compulsory/Optional/None Yes Yes No

Our View	<p>This journal is a good match for your paper. Its focus is on research related to quality of life and several papers on subjective well-being in China have been published. It has also published papers on quality of governance. Its aim to give “special attention to indicators that are able to meet the need of understanding social realities and phenomena that are increasingly more complex, interrelated, interacted and dynamical” is particularly relevant. Three papers in your reference list were published by this journal, suggesting that researchers in this field consider it a good choice.</p> <p>The impact factor (2.935) is about right for a first submission. If it is rejected, little time will be lost as the journal claims to make its first decision within 12 days. However, the journal does not provide an indication of time to publication.</p>
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Journal: Applied Research in Quality of Life Publisher: Springer	Rank: 2
Aims and Scope	Applied Research in Quality of Life (ARQOL) presents conceptual, methodological and empirical papers dealing with quality-of-life studies in the applied areas of the natural and social sciences. It aims to publish papers that have direct implications for, or impact on practical applications of research on the quality of life. The articles are crafted from interdisciplinary, inter-professional and international perspectives. ARQOL guides decision making in a variety of professions, industries, nonprofit, and government sectors, including healthcare, travel and tourism, marketing, corporate management, community planning, social work, public administration, and human resource management. It helps decision makers apply performance measures and outcome assessment techniques based on such concepts as well-being, human satisfaction, human development, happiness, wellness and quality-of-life. ARQOL is the official journal of the International Society for Quality-of-Life Studies (ISQOLS). www.isqols.org
Affiliation	Society for Quality-of-Life Studies
Impact Factor 5-year IF CiteScore SNIP SJR	3.447 3.354
Open Access	Optional
Article Processing Charge	US\$2990 for open access
Indexing	Social Science Citation Index, Google Scholar, EBSCO Discovery Service, Research Papers in Economics (RePEc), SCImago, UGC-CARE List (India), Dimensions, ProQuest-ExLibris Primo, ProQuest-ExLibris Summon, Current Contents / Social & Behavioral Sciences, PsycINFO, Journal Citation Reports/Social Sciences Edition, Naver, CNKI, OCLC WorldCat Discovery Service, TD Net Discovery Service, SCOPUS, ANVUR, Norwegian Register for Scientific Journals and Series, BFI List, CNPIEC, CLOCKSS, Portico, Baidu, Wanfang.
Peer Review Process	Double-blind peer review
Frequency of Publication	Bi-monthly (six issues per year)
Time to Publication	5 days from submission to first decision
Acceptance Rate	Not available

Editor/Editor in Chief	Daniel Shek, Hong Kong Polytechnic University	
Instructions for Authors	https://www.springer.com/journal/11482/submission-guidelines	
Does the paper currently comply with the journal guidelines?	Word template Word count main text Word count abstract Citation/reference formatting	None Yes Yes No
Our View	<p>This journal also represents a good match for your paper. It focuses on quality of life across many domains, including government and public administration. Several hundred papers include the term “subjective well-being” and 89 include “governance quality”. One paper in your reference list was published in this journal.</p> <p>The initial decision should be fast, but there is no information on the time from initial review to publication. As it is a bi-monthly journal, time to publication may be longer than for <i>Social Indicators Research</i>, and as speed of publication is a high priority for you, we recommend this as the second choice. This journal does, however, have a slightly higher impact factor, which you may want to consider.</p>	

Journal: Asia Pacific Journal of Public Administration Publisher: Taylor & Francis		Rank: 3
Aims and Scope	<p><i>Asia Pacific Journal of Public Administration</i> is a scholarly double blind peer-reviewed journal dedicated to promoting the study, research and enhancement of public governance, policy, administration and management in and beyond Asia and the Pacific. It welcomes contributions that address theory and practice, particularly from comparative and thematic perspectives. The Journal's target audience consists of scholars, policy-makers and managers, including those engaged in education and research in the expanding MPA, DPA and PhD communities.</p>	
Affiliation	None	
Impact Factor	n/a	
5-year IF	n/a	
CiteScore	1.5	
SNIP	0.674	
SJR	0.553	
Open Access	Optional	
Article Processing Charge	US\$3175 for open access	
Indexing	Scopus, DOAJ, ESCI, UGC Care	
Peer Review Process	Initial review by Editors, then double-blind peer review	
Frequency of Publication	Quarterly (four issues per year)	
Time to Publication	8 days to first decision; 49 days to first post-review decision; 14 days from acceptance to online publication	
Acceptance Rate	17%	
Editor/Editor in Chief	James Perry, Indiana University, USA Wai-Fung (Danny) Lam, University of Hong Kong, China	
Instructions for Authors	https://www.tandfonline.com/action/authorSubmission?show=instructions&journalCode=rapa20	
Does the paper currently comply with the journal guidelines?	Word template Word count main text Word count abstract Citation/reference formatting	Optional Yes Yes No

Our View	<p>This journal's focus is on public governance rather than quality of life, so it is a good choice if that is the audience you would like to target (rather than an audience interested in quality of life in general). The journal is also oriented toward Asia, so may be more relevant for your study based in China. It has published many papers on well-being and quality of life, although these tend to be more oriented toward policy implementation rather than measurement per se. One paper in your reference list was published in this journal. The drawbacks of this journal include a rather low impact factor and a low acceptance rate. Although we have ranked this journal third, it is worth considering if you think the target audience would be more appropriate for your paper.</p>
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Round 2

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Journal Name: Current Psychology Publisher: Springer		Rank: 4
Aims and Scope	<p><i>Current Psychology</i> is an international forum for rapid dissemination of peer-reviewed research at the cutting edge of psychology. It welcomes significant and rigorous empirical and theoretical contributions from all the major areas of psychology, including but not limited to: cognitive psychology and cognition, social, clinical, health, developmental, methodological, and personality psychology, neuropsychology, psychometrics, human factors, and educational psychology.</p>	
Affiliation	None	
Impact Factor	2.387	
5-year IF	2.643	
CiteScore		
SNIP		
SJR	0.661	
Open Access	Optional	
Article Processing Charge	\$2990 for open access	
Indexing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ABS Academic Journal Quality Guide • BFI List • BIOSIS • Baidu • Biological Abstracts • CLOCKSS • CNKI • CNPIEC • Current Contents / Social & Behavioral Sciences • Dimensions • EBSCO Biomedical Reference Collection • EBSCO Business Source • EBSCO Discovery Service • EBSCO Linguistics Abstracts Online • EBSCO MAS • EBSCO MasterFILE • EBSCO Sociology Source Ultimate • Gale 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Google Scholar ● Japanese Science and Technology Agency (JST) ● Journal Citation Reports/Social Sciences Edition ● Naver ● OCLC WorldCat Discovery Service ● Portico ● ProQuest-ExLibris Primo ● ProQuest-ExLibris Summon ● PsycINFO ● Psynindex ● SCImago ● SCOPUS ● Social Science Citation Index ● TD Net Discovery Service ● UGC-CARE List (India) ● Wanfang 								
Peer Review Process	Double-blind peer review								
Frequency of Publication	Monthly until this year. In 2023, there have been three issues every month.								
Time to Publication	39 days to first decision								
Acceptance Rate	Although the acceptance rate is not available from the journal, other sources suggest it is around 60%.								
Editor/Editor in Chief	F. Richard Ferraro								
Instructions for Authors	https://www.springer.com/journal/12144/submission-guidelines								
Does the paper currently comply with the journal guidelines?	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>Word template</td> <td>None</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Word count main text</td> <td>Yes</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Word count abstract</td> <td>Yes</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Citation/reference formatting</td> <td>No</td> </tr> </table>	Word template	None	Word count main text	Yes	Word count abstract	Yes	Citation/reference formatting	No
Word template	None								
Word count main text	Yes								
Word count abstract	Yes								
Citation/reference formatting	No								
Our View	The scope of this journal is very broad, so there is less concern about whether the paper is a good match. The disadvantage of this is that the paper is less likely to be read by your intended audience, as it will not necessarily attract readers interested in your specific topic. The journal has the second-lowest impact factor of all the recommended SSCI journals and appears to have an above average acceptance rate. We therefore recommend this as the fourth choice.								

Journal Name: Social Science Research Publisher: Elsevier		Rank: 5
Aims and Scope	<i>Social Science Research</i> publishes papers devoted to quantitative social science research and methodology. The journal features articles that illustrate the use of quantitative methods to empirically test social science theory. The journal emphasizes research concerned with issues or methods that cut across traditional disciplinary lines. Special attention is given to methods that have been used by only one particular social science discipline, but that may have application to a broader range of areas with an ultimate goal of testing social science theory.	
Affiliation	None	
Impact Factor	2.61	
5-year IF	4.5	
CiteScore	1.156	
SNIP		
SJR		
Open Access	Optional	
Article Processing Charge	Only for open access	
Indexing	Scopus Social Sciences Citation Index ASSIA Criminal Justice Abstracts Current Contents - Social & Behavioral Sciences Journal of Economic Literature Population Index Research Alert Sociological Abstracts U.S. Political Science Documents	
Peer Review Process	Double-blind peer review	
Frequency of Publication	Eight issues per year	
Time to Publication	9.3 weeks to review, then 2.7 weeks to publication	
Acceptance Rate	N/A	
Editor/Editor in Chief	Stephanie Moller, UNC Charlotte; Yang Cao, UNC Charlotte	
Instructions for Authors	https://www.elsevier.com/journals/social-science-research/0049-089X/guide-for-authors	
Does the paper currently comply with the journal guidelines?	Word template Word count main text Word count abstract Citation/reference formatting	The journal has a “your paper your way” option for first submission, which means there are no specific formatting or word limitations to consider.
Our View	This journal has published several papers with similar content to yours, relating to governance and subjective well-being. It publishes international research	

	<p>from around the world, including many papers from China. Elsevier's policy of not requiring papers to be formatted for the journal at first submission is advantageous as it saves time in making the necessary changes. However, time to review is a little longer than for some other journals (although the very short times for some refer to the initial editor decision, not the review process).</p>
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Journal Name: Asian Journal of Social Psychology Publisher: Wiley	Rank: 6
Aims and Scope	<i>Asian Journal of Social Psychology</i> publishes high-impact original research in all areas of social psychology from Asia and the rest of the world. We also welcome reviews and meta-analyses, interdisciplinary studies, methodological innovations, and research in applied psychology with social psychological significance. We are committed to advancing robust, reproducible, and open science to drive real impact.
Affiliation	The Asian Association of Social Psychology
Impact Factor	2.144
5-year IF	
CiteScore	2.8
SNIP	
SJR	0.731
Open Access	Optional
Article Processing Charge	\$2830 for open access
Indexing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Academic Search (EBSCO Publishing) • Academic Search Alumni Edition (EBSCO Publishing) • Academic Search Premier (EBSCO Publishing) • Current Contents: Social & Behavioral Sciences (Clarivate Analytics) • Health Research Premium Collection (ProQuest) • Hospital Premium Collection (ProQuest) • ISI Alerting Services • Journal Citation Reports/Social Science Edition (Clarivate Analytics) • ProQuest Central (ProQuest) • ProQuest Central K-57 • ProQuest Sociology Collection (ProQuest) • Psychology & Behavioral Sciences Collection (EBSCO Publishing) • Psychology Collection (GALE Cengage) • Psychology Database (ProQuest) • PsycINFO/Psychological Abstracts (APA) • PSYINDEX (ZPID) • Research Library (ProQuest) • Research Library Prep (ProQuest) • SCOPUS (Elsevier) • Social Science Premium Collection (ProQuest) • Social Sciences Citation Index (Clarivate Analytics) • SocINDEX (EBSCO Publishing) • VINITI (All-Russian Institute of Science & Technological Information)
Peer Review Process	Double-blind peer review
Frequency of Publication	Quarterly – 4 issues per year
Time to Publication	Less than a week for initial decision; time to publication not available

Acceptance Rate	N/A	
Editor/Editor in Chief	Kim-Pong Tam	
Instructions for Authors	https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/page/journal/1467839x/homepage/forauthors.html	
Does the paper currently comply with the journal guidelines?	Word template Word count main text Word count abstract Citation/reference formatting	None Yes Yes Yes/No
Our View	This is a very popular journal for social science research in Asia. The impact factor is the lowest of all of the recommended journals. However, given that it only publishes four issues a year, it may have a lower acceptance rate than other journals. Therefore, we do not recommend it as highly as the other choices.	