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Open Call for Special Issue Proposals

The Editors of *Childhood* welcome proposals for special issues to be published in 2026.

Proposals are due by the 14th of February 2025

Childhood is a major international peer-reviewed journal and a forum for research relating to children in global society that spans divisions between geographical regions, disciplines, and social and cultural contexts. *Childhood* publishes theoretical and empirical articles, reviews, and scholarly comments on children's social relations and culture, with an emphasis on their rights and generational position in society.



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Special issues must conform to the standards and practices of *Childhood*. Special issue proposals can be based on open calls for article contributions or can bring together scholarship emerging out of, for example, projects, workshops, seminars, or conferences. They might also combine both procedures. After receiving abstracts, Guest Editors select and send invitations to potential contributors to develop their articles.

Articles should be no longer than 8000 words, including all notes and references; 8-9 articles are usually accommodated per issue. Guest Editor(s) are expected to write an introduction (3000 words or longer) to the special issue outlining the contribution of the special issue to the field at large. Guest Editors and contributors should consult [the *Childhood* Submission Guidelines](#).



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Should a Guest Editor(s) wish to submit an article for consideration for publication in the special issue, the assigned *Childhood* Editors will oversee the review process for this manuscript.

The final determination of all submissions for an approved special issue rests in the hands of the Editors of *Childhood*. This determination is always based on the overall quality and relevance of the submissions to the journal's readership and mission. Approval to move ahead on a special issue does not guarantee that all proposed submissions will necessarily be included. If a successfully reviewed and accepted submission does not make it into the proposed special issue, efforts will be made to include it in a subsequent issue of *Childhood*. In addition to matters related to quality and mission, policies put forth by SAGE and considerations of space may play a part in the final determination of what is included in the special issue. For the same reasons, the timing of a special issue cannot be guaranteed.

GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION OF SPECIAL ISSUE PROPOSALS

Proposals should include

- A succinct concept note of the special issue presenting its thematic coherence and significance, and how it relates to the aims and scope of *Childhood* (2 pages maximum).
- A short CV for the special issue Guest Editor(s), indicating any editorial experience with peer-reviewed publications.

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Proponents of selected proposals will be notified by the **7th of March 2025**

Proposals must be sent by email to the *Childhood* editorial address:

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