

## DA General Policy & Procedure Manual

### Communication

# Nutrition & Dietetics (Journal) Policy

## AIM

The Journal aims to provide a forum for reporting on, discussing and developing scientifically robust knowledge related to human nutrition and dietetics that is relevant to professional practice.

## SCOPE

The Journal encompasses the scientific basis underpinning practice in Nutrition and Dietetics. This may include the biochemistry and physiology of nutrition, details of nutrition care practice (including research related to enteral and parenteral nutrition), the role of nutrition in health promotion and public health (including approaches to the treatment and prevention of nutrition related disease, food security and ecology) and nutrition related aspects of food service systems and management. Relevant areas of food science and technology, the sociology and psychology of food related behaviour, professional education in nutrition, methodological developments in nutrition, and health services research related to nutrition and dietetics are also included.

## PUBLISHING DETAILS

A volume of the Journal is published online each year. Each volume is comprised of five issues which are released in February, April, July, September and November. Each issue follows a relevant theme and is approximately 100 pages of text, depending on the amount of material awaiting publication and budgetary constraints. Supplements accompany the Journal for the DA annual conference and other topics as such opportunities arise.

The Journal is published for DA by Wiley Publishing.

The Journal is provided online to members of DA and is available via the Members Section of the DA website.

## JOURNAL CONTENT

The journal will be comprised primarily of original research papers, an editorial may be included with each issue. Non-citable material such as obituaries or invited commentary are not published in the journal, alternative avenues for publishing this material may be provided by DA.

## EDITORIAL BOARD

The *Nutrition & Dietetics* Editorial Board functions as per the [Editorial Board Terms of Reference](#). It is comprised of local and international Editorial Board members including specialist editors for qualitative research, systematic literature reviews and statistics.

## JOURNAL STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE (JSPC)

The JSPC operate as per the [JSPC Terms of Reference](#) and are responsible for proactively providing strategic direction for the development, enhancement and promotion of *Nutrition & Dietetics*.

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All submissions to the Journal are initially reviewed by the Editor-in-Chief and allocated to one Associate Editor/Specialist Editor. At both of these stages, manuscripts may be rejected without peer review if they are deemed not suitable for the Journal.

Manuscripts that progress past this initial decision are sent for peer review, usually to two independent reviewers. Based on the feedback from these reviewers and the judgement of the assigned Associate Editor or Specialist Editor, a decision is given on the manuscript by the Editor-in-Chief.

Manuscripts may also be sent out for statistical review by the Statistics Editor when further consideration of the statistical methodology used in the paper is required.

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- [Editorial Board Terms of Reference](#)
- [Journal Strategic Planning Committee \(JSPC\) Terms of Reference](#)