# YOUNG SCHOLARS IN WRITING

**CALL FOR PAPERS: 2020** 

Young Scholars in Writing: Undergraduate Research in Writing and Rhetoric is an international peer-reviewed journal. It publishes research and theoretical articles by undergraduates of all majors and years on the subjects of rhetoric, writing, writers, discourse, language, and related topics.

For Volume 18, we invite undergraduates, including students in first-year writing, to share research-based submissions on the following topics:

Writing, rhetoric, composition, professional writing, technical writing, business writing, discourse analysis, writing technologies, usability, peer tutoring in writing, writing process(es), writing in the disciplines, and related topics.

To support an increase in methodological diversity presented in the journal, for this issue, we are particularly interested in submissions that rely on primary research and/or empirical methods.

#### **Submission Guidelines:**

Article submissions: 10-25 pgs, double-spaced

First-Year Spotlight: 5-25 pgs, double spaced

Comment & Response: 2-5 pgs, double-spaced

Methodological Reflection: 3-8 pgs, double-spaced

## **Timeline**

December 2019: Submissions Portal Opens

April 8, 2020: Submissions Due Date

May 2020: Editorial Decisions Sent

Summer 2020: Selected Authors Work with Faculty Editors In addition to journal articles, we also invite students to contribute the following:

- **Comment and Response:** Response to previous *YSW* article which presents a clear argument and draws on additional sources

  New with this issue, we also invite students to submit
- Methodological Reflection: Detailed narrative and reflection about experience using empirical method that is in conversation with literature on methods

## What does it mean to publish in YSW?

Young Scholars in Writing values mentorship. Any author whose submission is accepted for publication contingent on revisions will be paired with a Faculty Advising Editor who will make suggestions for improvement and will guide the writer through the revision process.

Example: When I received the initial "revise and resubmit" response, I was both thrilled with the possibility of publication and decidedly not-thrilled about the revision process. Yet immediately upon receiving suggestions from Dr. Amy Robillard, I realized that this was an opportunity to delve in so much deeper and to create something much fuller and richer.-Lucy Marerro

## IRB Requirements

Young Scholars in Writing accepts articles reporting on primary research involving human participants only if that research has been structured to safeguard the rights and privacy of research participants. Undergraduate researchers must discuss ethical conduct of research and their institution's research ethics guidelines with their faculty mentors. YSW requires good-faith certification from authors that research involving human participants has been conducted according to their institution's research ethics and/or IRB (institutional review board) guidelines.

## For Faculty

Interested in encouraging your students to submit to the journal? Would you like your students to have the opportunity to learn more about this opportunity and get their questions answered?

The Journal Co-Editors are available for scheduled Zoom meetings to talk to students in your classes or programs.
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