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(a) Each submitted paper that the editors deem acceptable regarding its topic, style, length and general quality will be verified for **plagiarism** and sent to at least two peer referees for **double blind** review.

(b) The referees will be scholars of standing, members of the Editorial Advisory Board, the Journal Management Team and others identified by their specific expertise and publication profiles.

(c) The referees will comment on the paper's eligibility for publication in *Inkanyiso*, considering originality as well as the quality of research, argument, use of sources and writing style. Each referee will be granted not more than one month for this process.

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(e) After receiving the referees' reports, the Editor-in-Chief will verify manuscripts for publication in *Inkanyiso*. Selected sections of these reports will be sent back to the authors (without disclosing the referees' identities) to explain the Journal's acceptance or rejection of the paper and to guide revision either for the upcoming issue or to help the author rewrite for a future submission.

(f) Accepted authors should make the required corrections and email their final document to the Editor within the time specified.

(g) The Editor, after verification, compiles all the manuscripts into an issue with the addition of an appropriate introduction and then sends the issue to the publisher.

(h) Publication is normally expected within the specified dates i.e. June and December each year.

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Page fees

Page fees or APC – where possible – may be levied to cover the costs of publication. However, the journal has not levied such fees since its inception in 2009 because it is currently fully subsidized by the University of Zululand, South Africa.

Manuscript requirements

Length of articles

These should comprise 4000-8000 words, including the list of works cited and notes. Shorter essays (500-2000 words) such as book reviews and debates on topics introduced by specific papers may be accepted.

Format

Papers should be submitted electronically, as email attachments formatted in a recent version of MsWord or Rich Text Format. While each article should be accompanied by a note in which the author provides his or her full names, personal telephone number and email address, the article itself should be stripped of all references to the author's identity. This is in order to assist the blind review process.

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Inkanyiso uses a specific version of Harvard style. Authors should ensure that their papers are already formatted in this style before submission to the Journal.

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