

NIJAMSS SOCIAL SCIENCES MANUSCRIPT TEMPLATE

For education, sociology, psychology, management, governance, development and policy manuscripts

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Abstract: This template guides authors preparing social science manuscripts for NIJAMSS. Submissions should demonstrate theoretical grounding, methodological clarity, ethical research practice and relevance to society, institutions, communities, education, governance, leadership, justice or development.

Index Terms: Social sciences; education; psychology; governance; community development.

I. Thematic Scope for This NIJAMSS Format

This format is designed for manuscripts submitted under the Social Sciences stream. Authors should select the thematic area that best reflects the study focus and ensure that the title, abstract, objectives, methods, findings and implications are aligned with that theme.

Thematic Area	Examples of Suitable Manuscripts
Education, Curriculum and Lifelong Learning	Teaching methods, curriculum studies, educational leadership, learner outcomes, assessment and digital learning.
Psychology, Behaviour and Mental Wellbeing	Behavioural studies, counselling, organizational psychology, social cognition, family studies and wellbeing.
Sociology, Anthropology and Community Development	Culture, identity, migration, social inclusion, livelihoods, community participation and social change.
Leadership, Management and Organizational Studies	Human resource management, institutional performance, entrepreneurship, public administration and project management.
Governance, Law, Policy, Peace and Security	Public policy, legal systems, conflict resolution, restorative justice, human rights, peacebuilding and security studies.
Economics, Communication and Development Studies	Poverty, employment, media, development communication, social protection, gender and sustainable development.

II. Introduction

Introduce the social problem, institutional/community context, theoretical or conceptual gap and study justification. Situate the topic within local, regional and global debates where relevant.

State the study purpose, objectives, research questions or propositions.

III. Literature Review and Theoretical Framework

Review empirical and theoretical literature relevant to the study. Identify agreements, contradictions and gaps that justify the current research.

Present the theory, model or conceptual framework guiding the study and explain how key concepts relate.

IV. Methodology

Describe the research design, study area, population, sampling, instruments, data collection, validity/reliability or trustworthiness, data analysis and ethical considerations.

For qualitative work, include participant recruitment, interview/focus group procedures, coding process and credibility measures. For quantitative work, include variables, scales and statistical tests.

V. Findings and Analysis

Present findings according to objectives, themes, hypotheses or research questions. Use tables, quotations, models or figures where appropriate.

Ensure participant quotations are anonymized and used only when they add analytical value.

VI. Discussion, Policy and Practice Implications

Discuss findings in relation to theory, prior studies and the social or institutional context. Explain implications for policy, practice, education, leadership, justice, development or community action.

State limitations and areas for further study.

VII. Conclusion and Recommendations

Provide focused conclusions and realistic recommendations for stakeholders, institutions, communities, practitioners or policymakers.

VIII. References

Use a consistent style, preferably APA 7th edition. Include scholarly sources, policy documents and credible institutional reports where relevant.

VIII. Author Formatting Checklist

Item	Requirement
Page size and margins	A4; top 0.75 in, bottom 0.75 in, left 0.55 in, right 0.55 in.
Font and spacing	Times New Roman throughout; title 21-24 pt; body 11-12 pt; single spacing; justified text.
Abstract and keywords	Structured or unstructured abstract of 150-250 words; 4-7 index terms.
Tables and figures	Number all tables and figures sequentially; table titles above tables; figure captions below figures.
Ethics and originality	Declare ethics approval/consent where applicable; disclose funding, conflicts of interest and AI/tool use where relevant.
References	Use one consistent referencing style, preferably APA 7th edition unless a special issue requires otherwise.

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