

Journal of Gerontological Social Work
Call for Submissions
Special Section on Community-based Long-term Care/Independent Living Services

The Journal of Gerontological Social Work is inviting submissions for a special section on Community-based Long-term Care/Independent Living Services.

Social care including home and community-based services are increasingly replacing a larger portion of institutionally-based long-term care services in many nations. In others, formal community-based care is limited and institutional care is replacing home-based informal care. Funding, funding mechanism, growing aging populations, changing family dynamics, cultural norms, and political and policy structures among other factors influence the provision of informal and formal community-based long-term care and independent living services. This special section has a broad focus and aims to present pressing issues and current research related to community-based long-term care and independent living services for older adults including persons in later mid-life.

Manuscripts may be submitted as commentaries, brief reports, research manuscripts, conceptual or theoretical analysis, policy analysis or knowledge translation study/activity. All submissions must include discussion of implications for professional practice.

We encourage prospective authors to contact the Editor-in-Chief, Dr. Michelle Putnam at michelle.putnam@simmons.edu or the Managing Editor, Dr. Huei-Wern Shen at HueiWerns@gmail.com if they have any questions about this call.

The due date for submissions for this special section is September 30, 2019.

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Call for Submissions
Special Section on Feminism, Gender, and Power in Later Life

The Journal of Gerontological Social Work (JGSW) is inviting submissions for a special section on Feminism, Gender, and Power in Later Life.

The aim of this section is to highlight these concepts and the roles they play among older adults and our aging society. We invite authors to submit manuscripts on a wide range of issues including the formation of feminism in later life, gender roles and gender effects in key areas of aging, power dynamics at the individual, community, and/or national level, feminist leaders, gender fluidity and gender norms, power gains and power losses. This issue provides a wide umbrella for feminism, gender, and power in later life topics. We encourage authors to inquire if they are unsure if the topic they are considering will fit the special section.

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Call for Submissions
Special Section on Trauma and Later Life

The Journal of Gerontological Social Work (JGSW) is inviting submissions for a special section on Trauma in Later Life.

Trauma is increasingly recognized as an important factor to consider in understanding the aging experience. This special section aims to highlight issues related to trauma that are important for understanding the trauma experience as well as for creating interventions, programs, and policies for older adults that are trauma-informed. Trauma is broadly defined for this issue - originating from personal, social, cultural, political or natural factors. For example, authors may choose to submit manuscripts ranging personal violence to natural disasters. Regardless of trauma origination, authors are asked to include a section on implications for professional practice that specifies areas of research need, practice focus, and policy implications.

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The due date for submissions for this special section is October 31, 2019.

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Call for Submissions
The State of Education and Training in Social Work with Older Adults

The Journal of Gerontological Social Work (JGSW) is inviting submissions for a special section that focuses on The State of Education and Training in Social Work with Older Adults.

As the field of social work grows, there remains a modest emphasis on developing skills and knowledge specific to working with older adults. Educational products including specialized curriculum, skill-building tools, and knowledge and awareness scales exist, but efforts to develop social work professionals with gerontological knowledge have had limited effects in many nations. Still, the population of older adults is growing internationally. Arguably ageism in social work education and training remains widespread.

This special section request manuscripts from authors to explore the current state or education and training in social work with older adults. Example submissions might include studies on workforce incentives, research on sustained knowledge and skill development about aging and older adults, biases within the social work profession, models of practice that are inclusive or exclusive of older adults as co-creators of care, innovations in social work curriculum, and commentaries that help readers understand the current state of social work education and training related to working with older adults.

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The due date for submissions for this special section is December 31, 2019.

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Call for Submissions
Special Section on Advocacy, Politics and Policy Change

The Journal of Gerontological Social Work (JGSW) is inviting submissions for a special section that focuses on advocacy, politics, and policy change related to supporting positive outcomes in later life. The issue is intended to highlight civic and political engagement and contributions made by older adults themselves and by their allies. In particular, JGSW is interested in receiving manuscripts that emphasize the role older adults play in advocating and creating positive outcomes for neighborhoods, communities, regions, and nations. Example submissions might include development and leadership of political action groups, individual efforts to raise awareness about policy change, political engagement by older adults including holding of political office, marginalization of older voters, among other issues.

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Call for Submissions
Special Section on Early and Mid-Life Influences on Late Life Outcomes

The Journal of Gerontological Social Work (JGSW) is inviting submissions for a special section that considers early and mid-life influences on late life outcomes. The aim of this issue is to surface important factors that may be overlooked, under-studied, and less understood as having a role in late life outcomes. These factors may be personal, social, economic, health-related or from other domains. We encourage manuscript submissions that help practices, programs, and policies to take a longer-look at the life-course and influences over time. We ask authors to clearly articulate how the role of time may be important in understanding early and mid-life influences and late life outcomes.

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The due date for submissions for this special section is February 29 2020.