

## News and Notes

### Call for Submissions

*IK: Other Ways of Knowing* is soliciting submissions for upcoming issues

**About the journal.** This is an electronic, multidisciplinary, peer-reviewed, open access journal that publishes original research articles as well as review articles in all areas of indigenous knowledge from a global perspective. The journal is published twice yearly by the Pennsylvania State University Libraries, and is co-sponsored by the Penn State Libraries and the Penn State Interinstitutional Center for Indigenous Knowledge (ICIK). One annual issue is guest-edited and theme-based; the second annual issue is an open content issue edited by the Penn State Libraries and ICIK team.

Indigenous knowledge is an emerging area of study that focuses on the ways of knowing, seeing, and thinking that are passed down orally from generation to generation. These ways of understanding reflect thousands of years of experimentation and innovation in topics like agriculture, animal husbandry, entomophagy, biomimicry, child rearing practices, education systems, herbal and other traditional medicines, natural resource management and resilience to climate change—among many other categories.

These ways of knowing are particularly important in the era of globalization, a time in which indigenous knowledge as intellectual property is acquiring new significance in the search for answers to many of the world's most vexing problems: disease, famine, ethnic conflict, and poverty. Indigenous knowledge has value, not only for the culture in which it develops, but also for scientists and planners seeking solutions to community problems.

As a forum for the sharing of practical knowledge and local wisdom for the benefit of all peoples, this journal is of special interest to development professionals who treasure this local knowledge, finding it extremely useful in solving complex problems of health, agriculture, education, and the environment, both in developed and in developing countries.

**Manuscripts.** Submissions must be original, not previously published, nor submitted for publication in another journal. All manuscripts are subject to double blind peer review. Photographs, and other visual materials, are highly encouraged for each submission. All manuscripts should be in English. However, if the author is indigenous, a manuscript in the indigenous language will be accepted if an English translation is also provided. Both the indigenous and English language versions will be published. Reviewers will use the English version in assessing the manuscript. Full submission guidelines are available at the journal's home page at <http://journals.psu.edu/ik/about/submissions#authorGuidelines>.

We are accepting:

- Original research articles.
- Literature reviews
- Proposals for themed guest edited issues
- Reviews of new resources, including books, music, video, or web materials.
- Poetry, traditional stories, etc.
- Articles about applied indigenous knowledge, e.g., traditional ways of utilizing local flora, insects and other fauna

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