

JFTR's Emerging Voices

Emerging Voices offers brief and timely theoretical commentaries (10-15 manuscript pages) from *students and new professionals* about current topics and ideas that they would like to bring to the Family Science discipline. We invite submissions that demonstrate innovative theoretical thinking on topics that resonate with new generations of scholars. For example, submissions could: (a) consider how interdisciplinary perspectives (including on topics not directly related to family life) can bring new theoretical insights to the study of families and close relationships, (b) comment on missing perspectives in family theory curricula, (c) illustrate critical and contemporary applications of existing theory, (d) discuss the implications of new theorizing for their own areas of research or practice, (e) explore professional topics from emerging scholars' perspectives (e.g., navigating hierarchical and peer collaborations in graduate school), or (f) address how scholars can engage with non-academic sources (e.g., social media content, community discourses) to enhance their theorizing when academic literature on emergent topics is lacking.

Author Resources

Ultimately, manuscripts should make a compelling argument about an issue that is underrepresented in family science. Authors might consider the following questions as they develop their papers:

1. What is the paper's core argument/objective?
2. Why is this topic timely/urgent/deserving of attention? How did it come to your attention as an emerging scholar? (E.g., how does your disciplinary training influence how you came to this topic/your relationship with this topic?)
3. What underrepresented issues in family science does the paper engage?
 - a. What problems are identified, and what solutions are proposed?
 - b. What aspects are unresolved and compelling for further consideration?
4. What is the paper's connection to theory? (e.g., how might theoretical perspectives address and expand the issues identified in the paper?)
5. In what ways do the authors insights expand the discipline of Family Science and the ability to theorize about families?
6. How does the paper's argument resonate with a broader audience of family scholars?

Instructions for Submission

When authors are ready to submit their manuscript, they should do so online at <http://mc.manuscriptcentral.com/jftr>. When selecting Manuscript Type, authors should mark *Original Article* (**not** *Commentary* or *Invited Article*). Please indicate in your cover letter that the manuscript is being submitted for consideration as an Emerging Voices paper, and confirm in the cover letter that the first author is a student or new professional (pre-tenure).