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for
Journal of Turkish Science Education

Welcome to Journal of Turkish Science Education, a leading scientific journal dedicated to the advancement of research in science education. We strive to publish high-quality, innovative research that contributes to the understanding and improvement of science education practices and policies.

ABOUT

About the Journal

The Journal of Turkish Science Education (TUSED) is a peer-reviewed and fully open-access international journal that only publishes and promotes original manuscripts in science and technology education. The scholarly articles TUSED is interested in publishing must be valid, trustworthy, advance knowledge, and be original rather than reproducing what the science education community already knows.

Research can be in various forms, qualitative, quantitative, mixed methods, etc. But they should be scientifically reliable and valid. More of those innovative practices and their relation to science and technology education will receive the utmost attention from TUSED. With this philosophy, TUSED will continue to review and publish articles that editors consider important for the science education community.

TUSED aims to be a reputable knowledge source that the science education community can debate, evaluate, and reframe through published articles. We look forward to the interest and support in the future from our subscribers and the science education community.

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Aims and Scope

Journal of Turkish Science Education (TUSED) publishes scholarly papers that concentrate on science teaching and learning in school settings ranging from early childhood to higher education as well as workplace and informal learning, which are related to science education. Hence, its purpose is to link research with practice by providing information, ideas, opinions, and insights. As an international journal, the TUSED welcomes contributions from any country, which helps explain their national contexts and associate the significance of their work with a global readership.

In looking for research to publish, the TUSED seeks manuscripts that advance our knowledge in science education research rather than reproducing what we already know. Thus, the TUSED is also interested in producing valid and trustworthy research that covers new capabilities of science learning/teaching and innovative practices in science learning/teaching. The TUSED especially

emphasises research in educational practice and educational realities in systems, schools, and universities. Even though the TUSED is directly concerned with science education, it also welcomes manuscripts on interdisciplinary research where science education forefronted, e.g., Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics (STEM), health, environment, neuroscience, cognitive science.

With those in mind, the contributions should be;

- Theoretically grounded,
- Relevant to science education theories,
- Discuss the future implications deeply.

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Publication Frequency

The Journal of Turkish Science Education (TUSED) publishes four issues in a year, as in March, June, September and December.

Editorial Board decides whether there will be a special issue or not according to the research trends and scientific topics. If there will be a special issue, it will be announced at the announcement page at least 6 months before the publication.

Article types

Journal of Turkish Science Education accepts submissions of original research articles and review articles promotes learning, teaching and education.

Section Policies

The Journal of Turkish Science Education (TUSED) only publishes original manuscripts. Each submitted manuscript to TUSED has not been published nor under review elsewhere. The authors are absolutely responsible for any inconvenience. All manuscripts should be uploaded via the online system. The authors can track their manuscripts through this system. After the manuscripts are accepted, the authors waive and transfer all copyrights to the journal. However, legal and ethical responsibilities of the manuscripts belong to the authors.

TUSED only accepts manuscripts in English; non-native speakers of English get manuscripts proofread by a native English speaker before submission. Unless all manuscripts submitted for review are free from language errors and strictly written in the latest edition of the APA style, they will not be considered for publication and will not be sent to any of the journal reviewers for evaluation.

It is completely the author's responsibility to comply with the rules and check for any errors. When manuscripts are in harmony with the instructions for authors, they are sent to at least two referees. Given the referees' comments, the associated editor comes up with a final decision. After acceptance, a PDF version of the manuscript is sent to the authors for proofreading. The authors merely make some minor changes to the manuscript. They have to return this version to the editorial office within 72 hours.

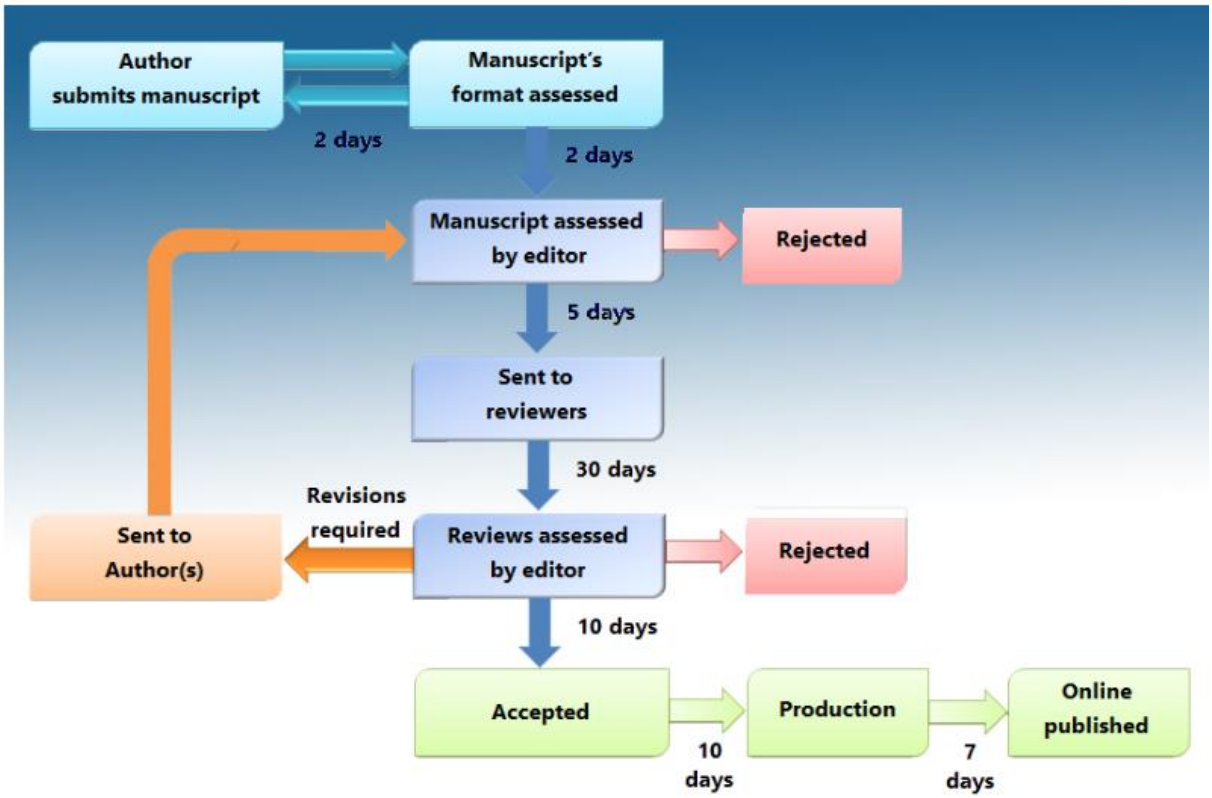
Peer Review Process

The Journal of Turkish Science Education is a double-blind peer-reviewed journal.

All manuscripts submitted to the Journal of Turkish Science Education (TUSED) undergo a strictly double-blind peer review in which the authors' names are removed from the manuscripts to prepare an anonymous version. The peer review process mainly comprises **two steps, e.g., editorial review and blinded peer review.**

Articles published in TUSED endorse COPE guidelines for reviewers. Editors have full responsibility for acceptance or rejection when making a decision. The COPE Core Practices on Editorial Management are our strict policy in editorial processes and policies.

Below you can see a flowchart about our peer review policy.



1. Submission of manuscript

The corresponding author submits the manuscript to the journal; this is via an online system. The author must use the manuscript's template file.

2. Editorial office assessment

The editorial office checks that the manuscript adheres to the requirements described in the Author's Guidelines. The quality of the manuscript is not assessed at this point.

3. Editor-in-chief assessment

The Editor-in-chief checks and assesses the manuscript, considering its scope, originality, ethics, and publishability. The Editor-in-chief may decline the manuscript at this point. If the Editor-in-chief deems it appropriate, will assign the article to the Editor(s).

4. Invitation to reviewers for the first stage

The editor sends invitations to individuals they believe would be appropriate reviewers. As responses are received, further invitations are issued, if necessary, until the required number of reviewers is secured– commonly this is two blind reviewers, but there may be some variation between manuscripts.

5. Response to invitations for the first stage

Invited reviewers consider the invitation against their expertise, conflicts of interest, and availability. They then accept or decline the invitation to review. Seven days are given to accept or reject the invitation decision. If possible, when declining, they might also suggest alternative reviewers. If the

reviewer(s) reject the invitation, a new reviewer is assigned by the editor. If reviewers accept the invitation, they are given 30 days for evaluation.

6. Under review for the first stage

Reviewers are provided with a suitable environment to evaluate the article and are provided with materials that will enable them to evaluate the article upon request. Upon the reviewers' reasoned request, the reviewers may be given additional time for evaluation. At the end of the period, the reviewers prepare a reasoned report and notify the editor of their decision (acceptance, correction, rejection) via the system. If reviewers accept the invitation, they are given 30 days for evaluation.

7. Evaluate the reviews for the first stage

The editor considers all the returned reviews before making a decision. Usually, evaluation decisions are coded as accept 3 points, revision 2 points, and reject 1 point. If the average score of the reviewers' decisions is below 1.5, the manuscript is returned to the author. If the average score is between 1.5 and 2, a new reviewer is assigned. If it is above 2, it is sent to the author for revision. If it is 3, the manuscript is accepted and sent to production.

8. Revision required for the first stage

If a decision is "revision required", the decision is communicated to the author together with the reviewers' reports. The author(s) is expected to examine the reports in detail and make the necessary revisions. The author must indicate any revisions he has made in the revision report. If the author(s) does not make the revision requested by the reviewers, (s)he must explain in detail why (s)he did not correct. The author(s) are given 20 days to make the necessary revisions. The author(s) must upload two files to the system (a revision report and a revised manuscript containing the answer given to the reviewers).

9. Response to invitations for the second stage

The revised manuscript has been sent again to the same reviewers, who are given 30 days to evaluate the revision. If one or more reviewers state that they cannot evaluate, a new reviewer is assigned.

10. Under review for the second stage

Upon the reviewers' reasoned request, the reviewers may be given additional time for evaluation. At the end of the period, the reviewers prepare a reasoned report and notify the editor of their decision (acceptance, correction, rejection) via the system. If reviewers accept the invitation, they are given 30 days for evaluation.

11. Evaluate the reviews for the second stage

The editor considers all the returned reviews before deciding on the second stage. Usually, evaluation decisions are coded as accept 3 points, revision 2 points, and reject 1 point. If the average score of the reviewers' decision is below 1.5, the manuscript is returned to the author. If the average

score is between 1.5 and 2, a new reviewer is assigned. If it is above 2, it is sent to the author for revision. If it is 3, the manuscript is accepted and sent to the production.

12. Revision required for the third stage

If a decision is "revision required", the decision is communicated to the author together with the reviewers' reports. The author(s) is expected to examine the reports in detail and make the necessary revisions. The author must indicate any revisions he has made in the revision report. If the author(s) does not make the revision requested by the reviewers, (s)he must explain in detail why (s)he did not correct. The author(s) is given 20 days to make the necessary revisions. The author(s) must upload two files to the system (a revision report and a revised manuscript containing the answer given to the reviewers).

13. Response to invitations for the third stage

The revised manuscript is sent again to the same reviewers and the reviewers are given 30 days to evaluate the revision. If one or more of the reviewers states that they cannot evaluate, a new reviewer is assigned.

14.Under review for the third stage

Upon the reviewers' reasoned request, the reviewers may be given additional time for evaluation. At the end of the period, the reviewers prepare a reasoned report and notify the editor of their decision (acceptance, correction, rejection) via the system. If reviewers accept the invitation, they are given 30 days for evaluation.

15. Evaluate the reviews for the third stage and decision

The editor considers all the returned reviews before deciding on the second stage. Usually, evaluation decisions are coded as accept 3 points, revision 2 points, and reject 1 point. If the average score of the reviewers' decision is below 2,5 the manuscript is returned to the author If it is above 2,5, the manuscript is accepted and sent to production.

16. Production & Online published

Layout editors format the accepted article. The formatted article is submitted for author approval. The article approved by the author is published online with a DOI number.

Article policy

TUSED acknowledges the significance of maintaining the integrity and completeness of the scholarly record for the scientific community and places utmost importance on preserving trust in the authority of its published articles. Published articles are expected to remain extant, exact, and unaltered to the greatest extent possible. However, situations may arise where corrections, retractions, or removals become necessary.

A fundamental principle of scholarly communication is that the editor of TUSED holds sole and independent responsibility for determining which submitted articles shall be published. In making this decision, the editor adheres to the policies of TUSED's editorial board and is bound by legal

requirements such as those pertaining to libel, copyright infringement, and privacy issues. As a result, the scholarly record serves as a permanent and historical account of scholarly transactions. Therefore, when corrections to the scientific record are warranted, they are implemented through a notice permanently linked to the article, ensuring transparency within the scientific community.

This policy outlines TUSED's approach to rectifying the scientific record and undergoes regular review and updating in line with evolving standards and best practices.

An error in the published article

Authors who detect an error in their published article are urged to promptly notify TUSED using the contact information provided on TUSED's webpage.

Typically, the corresponding author assumes responsibility for communicating the error's details to TUSED. Upon receipt of the notification, TUSED Editor or a designated representative, such as a member of the editorial team with relevant subject matter expertise, will assess the proposed correction along with any accompanying data or information. Depending on the nature of the error, the proposed correction may undergo further peer review. Subsequently, TUSED Editor will determine the appropriate method for rectifying the article.

Article correction

In cases where it's necessary to rectify an error or omission that does not impact the integrity or findings of the article, a Corrigendum will be published. Authors are responsible for drafting the Corrigendum, and all authors must agree to its publication. The Corrigendum will be linked to the article it corrects.

In rare instances where the Pegem Akademi identifies an error made during the publication process of an article, TUSED will issue an Erratum to address the error. The Erratum will also be linked to the article it corrects.

Expressions of concern

TUSED editors or members of a TUSED's Ethics Committee, may consider issuing an Expression of Concern under the following circumstances:

- They receive inconclusive evidence of research or publication misconduct, which remains unresolved by an investigation and warrants notification to readers.
- They have reason to believe that an investigation into alleged misconduct related to the publication either has not been, or would not be, fair, impartial, or conclusive.
- An investigation is ongoing, but a judgment will not be available for a significant period.

This Expression of Concern may be temporary or permanent. If a temporary Expression of Concern is issued, it will typically be replaced by a subsequent notice. This notice may include a permanent Expression of Concern, a retraction or removal, or an exoneration in the form of an Editor's Note. The subsequent notice will outline the investigation's outcome and the editor's or designated representative's conclusions.

Article withdrawal

Articles-in-Press, which are early versions of articles accepted for publication but not yet finalized, may be withdrawn under certain circumstances:

- If they contain errors.
- If they are accidental duplicates of other published articles.
- If they breach TUSED's publishing policies, such as multiple submissions, fraudulent authorship claims, plagiarism, or fraudulent use of data.
- If they represent an early version of an article published due to editorial or production errors.

When Articles-in-Press are withdrawn, their content (both HTML and PDF versions) will be removed and replaced with a page stating that the article has been withdrawn in accordance with Elsevier's Policy on Article in Press Withdrawal, along with a link to this policy.

Article retraction

Articles may be retracted to rectify errors significantly impacting reported findings or due to violations of TUSED's policies, such as plagiarism, multiple submissions, fraudulent authorship claims, or data fabrication.

TUSED editors or designated representatives will consider retracting an article under various circumstances, including:

- Clear evidence of unreliable findings due to major errors, fabrication, or falsification.
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- Previous publication elsewhere without proper attribution or disclosure.
- Unauthorized publication of material or data.
- Copyright infringement or serious legal issues.
- Reporting unethical research or breaches of publishing ethics policies.
- Compromised peer-review or editorial process manipulation.
- Concerns of authorship being sold, citation manipulation, or undisclosed conflicts of interest.
- Any other breach of TUSED's publishing policies, leading to loss of confidence in the article's validity or integrity.

TUSED adheres to best practices for article retractions, including:

- Publishing a retraction notice titled “Retraction: [article title]” in a subsequent issue, signed by the editor and authors if appropriate.
- Establishing a link between the retraction notice and the original article in the electronic version.
- Displaying a screen preceding the online article with the retraction note, with a link redirecting to the article.
- Retaining the original article unchanged but adding a watermark indicating its retracted status in the PDF version.
- Removing the HTML version of the article.

Article removal: legal limitations

In extremely rare cases, it may be necessary to remove an article from the online archive of TUSED where it was originally published. This decision is made with great care, considering the importance of maintaining the scholarly record as an unaltered account of academic transactions. Article removal will only occur under the following circumstances:

- The article is defamatory or infringes upon the legal rights of others, and retraction is deemed insufficient as a remedy.
- The article is, or TUSED anticipates it will be, subject to a court order.
- The article, if acted upon, poses a serious health risk.

In such cases, while the metadata (title and authors) will be retained, the article's text will be replaced with a screen indicating its removal for legal reasons.

Article replacement

In situations where the article, if acted upon, could pose a significant health risk, the authors may opt to retract the original article and replace it with a corrected version. In such cases, the standard procedures for retraction will be followed, but with the addition that the retraction notice in the database will include a link to the corrected, republished article, along with a documented history of the document.

Privacy Policy

This privacy policy applies to our various services, encompassing websites, apps, and other offerings such as programs and events, all connected to or linked to this particular privacy policy. It is important to note that this policy can be complemented by additional privacy statements, terms, or notices that may be presented to you separately or within the service itself. The primary entity responsible for controlling and managing users' personal information, submitted to, or gathered by, the service is the Pegem specified in the service details.

Information Collection

We gather information from you through two primary channels: directly from users' input and third-party sources.

Information provided by the user

The specific personal details we collect directly from you vary based on users' interaction with the Service. This may encompass:

Contact details: Name, email address, postal address, phone number, and social media handle.

Account login credentials: Usernames, passwords, password hints, and similar security information.

Account registration and profile information: Educational, professional, and background details, including field of study, current position, practice area, areas of interest, gender, ORCID ID, and photo.

Content you upload and share or store in users' account: Annotations, comments, contributions, and replies.

Information communicated to us: Questions or information sent to support desk.

Data provided during service interaction: Favorites, search queries, and communication preferences such as language and preferred alert frequency, type, and format.

Data from third-party sources

In addition to the information directly provided by you and data from users' institution, we may also acquire contact details and other relevant information from third-party sources. This may include:

Social networks: Information obtained with users' permission from social networks where you authorize the Service to access users' data on one or more networks.

Service providers: Data obtained from service providers assisting us in determining users' location to customize specific products based on users' geographical location.

Publicly available sources and data suppliers: Information from publicly accessible sources and data suppliers, utilized to validate, enhance, or supplement the data we already possess, or to support the overall functionality of the Service.

Usage Data

The Service automatically gathers information about users' interactions with the platform and users' device. This includes:

Computer, device, and connection information: Details such as IP address, browser type and version, operating system, installed software, unique device identifier, and other technical identifiers, as well as error reports and performance data.

Usage data: Information about the features you utilized, settings you selected, URL click stream data (including date and time stamps), and details about referring and exit pages, along with the pages you visited on the Service.

This data is collected through our servers and the use of technologies like cookies. You can manage cookies through users' browser settings and other tools. However, it's important to note that blocking certain cookies may impact users' ability to register, log in, access specific parts, or fully utilize the features of the Service.

How We Utilize Users' Information

Our commitment is to provide you with a relevant and beneficial experience. Based on users' interaction with us and the Service, we use users' personal information to:

Provide, activate, and manage access: Ensure the provision, activation, and management of users' access to and use of the Service.

Process transactions: Handle and fulfill requests, downloads, subscriptions, or any other transactions.

Enhance and improve the service: Continuously improve the Service by adding new content and features.

Communication: Notify you about changes, updates, and other announcements related to the Service.

Support: Provide technical, product, and other support to maintain the functionality, safety, and security of the Service.

Additionally, we may use users' personal information to:

Respond to inquiries: Address users' requests, inquiries, comments, or concerns.

Publishing participation: Invite you to submit or review manuscripts and engage in our publishing programs.

Financial transactions: Process payments and issue statements, including royalties and editorial fees.

User engagement: Conduct user testing, surveys, sweepstakes, competitions, and similar promotions.

Product and service development: Improve our products, events, and services, as well as develop new offerings.

Legal compliance: Fulfill legal obligations, resolve disputes, and enforce agreement

Sharing of Users' Information

We disclose users' personal information in the following ways and contexts:

Users' Institution:

We may share non-personally identifiable information, such as anonymous usage data reports and aggregated information, with users' institution or other third parties, contingent upon any applicable legal or contractual obligations.

Our Group Companies and Service Providers:

Depending on the provided Service, we share users' personal information with:

We collaborate with various suppliers and service providers to enhance the functionality and user experience of our service. This includes, but is not limited to:

Editors,

Reviewers,

Customer support,

Email service providers,

Access and authentication service providers,

Event venues and service providers,

IT service providers.

These entities play crucial roles in processing information necessary to provide the service, complete transactions, fulfill requests, and manage various aspects of our operations. They operate based on our instructions, adhering to this privacy policy and implementing appropriate confidentiality and security measures.

This sharing is done to process the information necessary for providing the Service, completing transactions, fulfilling users' requests, or handling tasks on our behalf. It is conducted based on our instructions and in compliance with this privacy policy, along with any other relevant confidentiality and security measures.

Legal Reasons

We may also disclose users' personal information if we have a good faith belief that such disclosure is necessary to:

Meet any applicable law, regulation, legal process, or other legal obligation.

Detect, investigate, and help prevent security, fraud, or technical issues.

Protect the rights, property, or safety of PEGEM, our users, employees, or others.

Additionally, users' information may be disclosed as part of a corporate transaction, such as the transfer of a journal or other assets to, or an acquisition by, or merger with another company.

Managing Users' Communications Preferences

You have the ability to customize and control users' communications preferences and other settings through various means:

Registration and account features: Customize users' preferences during the registration process or by updating users' account features and settings.

Opt-in/out Mechanisms: Use the provided "opt-in/out" or subscribe/unsubscribe mechanisms within the communications you receive from us.

Direct contact: Contact us directly to communicate users' preferences.

It's important to note that we reserve the right to inform you about changes or updates to the Service when deemed necessary.

Accessing and Updating Users' Information

The Service provides registered users with the capability to directly access their account information and make corrections or updates at any time.

It is the user's sole responsibility to ensure the accuracy and currency of their information. Registered users also have the option to close their accounts directly through the Service or by reaching out to the Service's customer support.

By applicable privacy and data protection laws, you have the right to request, free of charge:

Access to, correction, and deletion of users' personal information.

Restriction of our processing of users' personal information or objection to our processing.

Portability of users' personal information.

To exercise any of these rights, please contact us through the support desk. We will respond to users' request by applicable laws. For privacy and security reasons, we may request identity verification. You also have the option to designate an authorized agent to make requests on users' behalf, contingent upon proof of identity and authorization.

Data Retention

We retain users' personal information for the duration required to provide the Service and fulfill requested transactions. This includes essential purposes such as complying with legal obligations, maintaining business and financial records, resolving disputes, ensuring security, detecting and preventing fraud and abuse, and enforcing our agreements.

Data Security

To protect users' personal information against loss, theft, misuse, and unauthorized access, disclosure, alteration, and destruction, we implement appropriate technical and organizational measures. We take precautionary steps to ensure the security of users' data through comprehensive security protocols.

Changes

This privacy policy is subject to periodic updates. Any modifications will be posted on this page along with an updated revision date. In the case of significant changes, we will provide notice through the Service or other appropriate means.

If we rely on users' consent for the processing of personal information, you have the right to withdraw users' consent at any time. In situations where we depend on legitimate interests, you may also have the right to object to our processing.

Locations of Processing

Users' personal information may be stored and processed in users' region or in another country. We undertake measures, which may include contractual arrangements, to ensure that users'

information remains protected regardless of its location. This is done in accordance with the standards of protection mandated by applicable law.

Ethics

The scientific ethic is the major submitting and publishing criteria for TUSED. Below are the major ethical issues you should be aware of as an author. Our ethical guidelines for authors is essential for a publication which authors benefits every researchers career. TUSED follows the Conflict of Interest policy and abides by the guidelines set forth by the Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE).

Remember that you should submit your paper to one journal at a time.

Ethics for Authorship

The authors listed on an article published in TUSED should have made a significant contribution to the work reported. This could be in terms of research conception or design, or acquisition of data, or the analysis and interpretation of data. As an author or co-author, you share responsibility and accountability for the content of your article. Please avoid to be a gift (guest) authorship where someone is added to the list of authors who has not been involved in writing the paper or ghost authorship where someone has been involved in writing the paper but is not included in the list of authors.

Authors who publish with TUSED have the responsibility to maintain high ethical standards and uphold the integrity of the scientific record. The COPE standards and guidelines address any potential act of misconduct.

When publishing with TUSED, authors have the responsibility for the following instructions.

Submit their manuscript to only one journal at a time and not to multiple journals simultaneously.

Unless it is an extension of previous work, the submitted work must be original and not previously published in any form or language. To avoid concerns about text recycling, authors are encouraged to transparently disclose any reused material.

To prevent an increase in submission quantities, authors should not divide a single study into multiple parts and submit them to different journals or to the same journal multiple times.

In certain circumstances, such as translations or manuscripts intended for different audiences, simultaneous or secondary publication may be acceptable.

Authors must present their results in a clear and honest manner, without fabricating, falsifying or improperly manipulating data, including the manipulation of images. Discipline-specific rules for data acquisition, selection and processing must be followed.

Ethics for Reviewers

TUSED is dedicated to maintain its integrity and scientificness of the content so we recommend authors, reviewers and editors refer to the COPE Guidelines for Peer Reviewers.

1. **Confidentiality:** Reviewers must treat all manuscripts received for review as confidential documents. They should not discuss the content of the manuscripts with anyone outside the peer review process, unless seeking guidance from the editorial office.
2. **Conflict of Interest Disclosure:** Reviewers must disclose any potential conflicts of interest that may bias their evaluation of the manuscript. Conflicts of interest may include financial, personal, or professional relationships that could influence their judgment.
3. **Objectivity and Fairness:** Reviewers should provide constructive, impartial, and unbiased feedback on the manuscript. Critiques should be focused on the scientific merit, clarity, and significance of the research, rather than personal opinions or biases.
4. **Timeliness:** Reviewers are expected to promptly respond to review requests and complete their assessments within the agreed-upon timeframe. Delays in the review process can impede the publication process and adversely affect authors' careers.
5. **Adherence to Guidelines:** Reviewers should adhere to the journal's specific guidelines for manuscript evaluation. Any deviations from the guidelines should be discussed with the editorial office.
6. **Plagiarism and Ethics Concerns:** Reviewers who identify potential cases of plagiarism, data fabrication, or other ethical violations should report these concerns to the editorial office. They should refrain from making accusations without sufficient evidence and handle such cases with discretion.

Ethics for Editors

The editor in Chief and the all editors of TUSED follow the guidelines of COPE for editors.

1. **Impartiality and Objectivity:** Editors must evaluate manuscripts solely based on their scientific merit, originality, and relevance to the journal's scope. Editorial decisions should not be influenced by personal biases, affiliations, or other non-scientific factors.
2. **Confidentiality:** Editors and editorial staff must maintain the confidentiality of all submitted manuscripts and peer review reports. They should not disclose any information about the manuscript or its review process to unauthorized individuals.
3. **Conflict of Interest Management:** Editors should disclose any potential conflicts of interest that could affect their judgment or decision-making process. In cases where editors have conflicts of interest with a submitted manuscript, they should recuse themselves from the editorial process and delegate the handling of the manuscript to another qualified editor.
4. **Transparency:** Editors should provide clear and transparent communication with authors, reviewers, and readers throughout the editorial process. Decisions regarding manuscript acceptance, rejection, or revision should be justified based on objective criteria and communicated promptly to the relevant parties.
5. **Ethical Oversight:** Editors are responsible for upholding ethical standards in publishing and addressing any cases of misconduct or unethical behavior promptly and appropriately. This includes investigating allegations of plagiarism, data fabrication, and other ethical violations in collaboration with the editorial board and relevant stakeholders.

6. **Continuous Improvement:** Editors should regularly review and update the journal's policies and procedures to ensure alignment with evolving ethical standards and best practices in scholarly publishing. They should seek feedback from stakeholders and implement changes to improve the integrity and quality of the journal.

By adhering to these ethics guidelines, reviewers and editors play a crucial role in maintaining the integrity and credibility of Journal of Turkish Science Education and upholding the highest ethical standards in scientific research and publishing. We appreciate their commitment to excellence and professionalism in their roles.

Plagiarism

TUSED uses similarity check for any kind plagiarism. You should check your citing, reference section and permissions from other authors. Also, self-plagiarism repeats the data presented by you and creates multiplication. Any allegations of plagiarism or self-plagiarism made to a journal will be investigated by the editor of TUSED. If the allegations appear to be true, we will then contact all authors of the article and ask for an explanation over the material. If the explanation is not satisfactory, we will reject the submission. We may also choose not accept future submissions.

Please see the COPE Guidelines for Plagiarism which TUSED strictly comply with.

Data fabrication / Falsification

All data you submitted need to be accurate, and represent your research foundation. Data fabrication / Falsification cases will be evaluated by the editor of TUSED. Editor can ask the raw data to check the accuracy. If the raw data sent by author is not satisfactory, editorial board or editor have the right to reject the submission. We may also choose not accept future submissions.

At TUSED, we uphold the highest standards of academic integrity and ethical conduct in scientific research and publishing. Plagiarism, in any form, is a serious violation of these principles and undermines the integrity of scholarly communication. As such, we have implemented strict policies and procedures to detect and address instances of plagiarism in submitted manuscripts. This page outlines our plagiarism policy, including the types of plagiarism and the consequences for authors found to have committed plagiarism.

Types of Plagiarism

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