

Joint Call for Papers

A Conversation About Social Justice in Public Administration

Administrative Theory & Praxis
Journal of Health and Human Services Administration
Public Administration Quarterly
Review of Public Personnel Administration

Too often, scholars in the field of public administration break into silos, eschewing discussion and collaboration across and among disciplines. Indeed, while scholars often come together at conferences or within professional networks to have these conversations, that is where the dialogue frequently ends. With this joint call for papers, we attempt to speak across the discipline to a cross-cutting issue: social justice in public administration. Our time and discussions at the 2019 American Society for Public Administration conference inspired this call, given the express focus on social equity as a conference theme, as a topic on panels, and as a focal point of the Social Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion training. Our goal with this call is to extend those conversations beyond disciplinary borders and tackle social justice issues from a variety of lenses.

Given the scope of each journal represented here, there are a variety of ways in which authors can examine social justice. We list possible topics here but are open to additional themes, views, and areas, and purposefully welcome methodological diversity. Theoretical and conceptual papers are also invited. We especially encourage submissions from students, junior faculty, and scholars from underrepresented backgrounds.

Possible social justice themes include but again are not limited to:

- Workplace policies and practices that help or hinder social equity
- Urban geography and the built environment
- Social equity-related health disparities
- Community health and wellbeing
- Critical race theory
- Equality vs. equity vs. justice
- Leadership and management
- Training and development
- Diversity and inclusion policies and practices
- Front-line, direct service professions (policing, social workers, healthcare providers, teachers, etc.)
- Policy development, communication, and implementation
- Systemic and/or institutionalized racism
- Performance measurement and management
- Co-production, and who is included in those spaces
- Normativity and heterodoxy
- Strategic planning
- Community-based organizations

- Nonprofit management and leadership
- Equity and inclusion in philanthropy
- Organizational culture and (in)equitable outcomes
- Environmental justice
- Social determinants of disparate health outcomes
- State-sanctioned oppression
- Domestic and international white nationalism
- Refugees, immigration, and divergent immigration policies
- LGBTQ+ policies
- Gender equity/roles
- Pedagogical imperative of social justice
- Global perspectives on social justice
- Religious and cultural violence and the role of the state
- Neoliberalism, capitalism, socialism – political views of social justice

Authors are asked to purposefully and directly consider how social justice, or a lack thereof, affects their chosen topic. For instance, what happens when people of color are left out of the policy-making process? What are the health implications of access to green space? What can public administrators do to encourage a more just governance process?

We welcome research papers, books reviews, and special submissions that might align with a particular journal (for example, the Dialogue section of ATP). **Authors are encouraged to submit an abstract (500-1,000 words) to: socialjusticecfp@gmail.com by August 1, 2019.** Authors, please include in that email your top two journal selections. Editors will then examine each abstract to determine potential fit with a particular journal. Authors invited to submit papers are not guaranteed publication, as each submission will follow the selected journal's peer review processes. Questions can be sent to journal editors listed below or the email address listed above.

Descriptions of each journal can be found here:

ATP: <https://www.tandfonline.com/loi/madt20>

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