CALL FOR PAPERS: 30TH ANNIVERSARY EDITION(S) OF ACTA

Extension of Deadline:
30 March 2019

We invite you to submit papers for two proposed Editions for the 30-year anniversary of Acta Criminologica.

Criminology: The Last 30 Years of Criminology in Africa
This edition will focus on the history of South African Criminology from 1988-2018. We invite the submission of papers on the origins, contradictions, contestations and advancements of criminology, victimology, and criminal justice over these three decades. We encourage original ‘thought pieces’, chronological works, papers on the changes in, and emergence of, specific areas of focus of the discipline, marginalised subjects of criminology, and the changing face of criminological scholarship and teaching during this period.

Re-envisioning Criminology
The second edition will focus on the future of criminology in Africa (‘re-envisioning’ the discipline). Submissions to the journal can include topics such as the decolonisation/Africanisation of criminology, innovative methodologies in criminological research, emerging epistemologies, and contemporary subject matters for research and teaching. We strongly encourage the submission of articles from emerging and early career scholars, post-graduate students as well as more established scholars. We also encourage the process of co-writing of articles between more ‘senior scholars’ and those who are ‘emerging scholars’, as part of the bigger project of ‘re-imaging’ the future of criminology and associated disciplines.

We will only accept articles that fit into the two themes above.

The Editorial Policy
Acta Criminologica is a peer-reviewed academic journal which promotes academic and professional discourse and the publishing of research results on the subject of crime and victimisation, conflict, deviance, abuse of power and reaction to crime and other crime-related phenomena in the broad Criminological Sciences and applied criminal justice field. When considering your submission, it is also important to remember that Policy and Procedures for Measurement of Research Output of Public Higher Education Institutions, research output is defined as “textual output where research is understood as original, systematic investigation undertaken in order to gain new knowledge and understanding” (Ministry of Education, 2003: 3). Therefore, an uncritical synthesis of literature without contributing any new insight to existing knowledge falls outside the scope of this definition and “peer evaluation of the research is considered a fundamental prerequisite of all recognised output and is the mechanism of ensuring and thus enhancing quality” (Ministry of Education, 2003: 3-4).

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