Call for Proposals: English Language and Linguistics - Special Issue

The journal English Language and Linguistics (ELL) publishes one special issue each year, and we would now like to invite proposals for the special issue to be published in 2019.

Special issues should be focused on a specific topic which is of key interest to specialists in the various sub-disciplines of English linguistics. The topics and contents of past special issues can be consulted by viewing back issues on the ELL website:

https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/english-language-and-linguistics

As a rough guideline, a special issue should be a collection of 5-10 targeted (often commissioned) articles, including a lead article or 'perspectivizing' introduction by the editor(s), with a maximum length of 100,000 words for the volume. However, no strict format is prescribed and editors are welcome to propose novel formats (for example, articles may be followed by responses from others), although all articles submitted for a special issue will be subjected to the same rigorous quality and reviewing standards as regular submissions to English Language and Linguistics. The issue's editor(s) will collaborate closely with one of the regular editors of the journal during the reviewing stage and when deciding upon the ultimate selection of papers to be published.

The deadline for the first drafts of articles is expected to be around 1 July 2018, and the final revised versions of all articles in the special issue must be submitted by 1 March 2019 at the latest (to be ready for publication in the second issue of the year).

Proposals for a possible special issue should be no longer than 4 pages, including:

- information on the relevance of the topic and on what makes it attractive to the international English Linguistics community

- the special expertise of the editor(s)
- a preliminary list of contributors
- potentially, short abstracts of the papers

Please send proposals by 15 September 2017 to the following email address: ellsubmissions@cambridge.org.

This will distribute the proposal to all three editors of ELL. Feel free to contact any or all of us in advance of this deadline if you have any queries about any of this this. We would encourage those thinking of submitting a proposal to contact us to discuss it.

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