**J-FLTAL Format Requirements**

**Title** (14 pt, Bold, Capitalize each word's first letter)

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***Abstract:*** *The main purpose of this study is... (11 pt, italic)*

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**Proposed section titles for the main body**

Introduction

Literature review

Methodology

Discussion

Results

Conclusion

References

**Basic format guidelines**

* **Typing:** The acceptable format for electronic submission is MSWord. All text should be typed, **double-spaced**, with **2,5 cm margins** all around. Please use a **12-point font**. Apply **justification** from left and right side. Authors should **number all text pages**.
* **Length:** A manuscript, including all references, tables, and figures, **should not exceed 10,000 words**. Please do not place tables and figures at the end of the text.
* **Style:** For writing and editorial style, authors must follow guidelines in the Publication Manual of the **American Psychological Association (6th edition, 2006)**.
* **Abstract, keywords and summary:** All general and research manuscripts must include an abstract and a few keywords. Abstracts describing the essence of the manuscript must be **150 words or less**. As for the articles which do not include an empirical study, they must include at least an introduction and a conclusion. The rest of the headings in these papers depend on the content and choice of the author.
* **State-of-the-Art Articles:** J-FLTAL welcomes articles that present a profound review of important issues of contemporary interest in the field of foreign/second language education with a critical approach to orthodoxy and current practices. However, state-of-the-art manuscripts, including all references, tables, and figures, should not exceed 3,500 words.
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**Criteria:**

Criteria for Research Articles: The appropriateness of a manuscript for publication in J-FLTAL is carefully reviewed based on each of the dimensions listed below.

* Significance/relevance to field of foreign language teaching
* Conceptual framework (if the study makes effective connections to relevant constructs in literature)
* Methods (if manuscript is an empirical study)
  + Appropriateness to research questions
  + Adequate description of methods (including data collection and analysis)
  + Rigor of methods
  + Validation of the choice of research method, data analysis and interpretation.
* Overall contribution to the field of foreign language teaching
* Writing style/clarity/use of English

**Additional Issues:**

* **Web page assesment**
* **Doi numbers**