Information for Contributors

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Manuscripts are being solicited in the following categories:

- **Articles**
- **Commentaries**
- **Reviews**

### Articles

Articles should report on original research or present an original framework that links previous research, educational theory, and language teaching practices that utilize technology. Articles containing only descriptions of software, classroom procedures, or those presenting results of attitude surveys without discussing data on actual language learning outcomes will not be considered. Full-length articles should be no more than 8,500 words in length, including references, and should include an abstract of no more than 200 words. Appendices should be limited to no more than 1,500 words. We encourage articles that take advantage of the electronic format by including hypermedia links to multimedia material both within and outside the article.

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**Step 1: Internal Review.** The editors of the journal first review each manuscript to see if it meets the basic requirements for articles published in the journal (i.e., that it reports on original research or presents an original framework linking previous research, educational theory, and teaching practices), and that it is of sufficient quality to merit external review. Manuscripts which do not meet these requirements or are principally descriptions of classroom practices or software are not sent out for further review, and authors of these manuscripts are encouraged to submit their work elsewhere. This internal review takes about 1-2 weeks. Following the internal review, authors are notified by e-mail as to whether their manuscript has been sent out for external review or, if not, why.

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Titles should be concise (preferably fewer than 10 words) and adequately descriptive of the content of the article. Some good examples are

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- "Reflective Conversation" in the Virtual Language Classroom
- Teaching German Modal Particles: A Corpus-Based Approach
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Please list the names, institutions, e-mail addresses, and if applicable, World Wide Web addresses (URLs), of all authors. Also include a brief biographical statement (maximum 50 words, in sentence format) for each author. (This information will be temporarily removed when the articles are distributed for blind review.)

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