

Early Years – An International Research Journal
Editors' Report to TACTYC executive meeting,
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Submissions

By the end of May we had received 48 papers, compared to 38 by the same time in 2018. We now have a backlog of over 50 papers which have been published online. Starting in 2020 we will again expand the journal to five issues per year. We will not change the dates of publication but each year one of the four issues will be a double issue, giving us a useful degree of flexibility.

Forthcoming special issues

Issue 39, 3 (Sep 2019) *Early Childhood Policies in Low- and Middle-Income Countries*, guest editors: Michelle Neuman and Lynette O'Kengo.

This issue will be submitted to the publishers very shortly. Six papers have been accepted and three further papers are in the final stages of revisions

Issue 39, 4 (Dec 2019) or 40, 1 (Mar 2020) *Beyond gender binaries: pedagogy and practice in early education and childcare (EEC)* guest editors: Yuwei Xu, Jo Warin and Martin Robb

Four papers for this issue have already been accepted. Three papers are in the process of being revised and three more are awaiting reviewer comments. We may have to postpone to 2020 if we do not have enough pages left after 39,3.

Issue 40, 2 (June 2020) *Early Childhood Education and Care in Latin America* guest editors: Suely Mello & Mônica Appezzato Pinazza

The guest editors received 25 abstracts and full submissions will be invited from 15 of these (with at least one from each country in the region).

We are planning to schedule another special issue on professionalisation issues in East Asia (China, Japan, South Korea), guest edited by a member of our Editorial Board, Minyi Li, together with Pam Oberhuemer, either in 2020 or early in 2021.

Editors

We have experienced some difficulties on the editorial team as Arianna's son, Enea, has been admitted to hospital several times with chest infections and Jan has experienced a variety of personal, family and work issues including her father's illness. This has led to unusually long delays in processing some papers but we are very grateful to Jane Payler and Pamela Oberhuemer who have both agreed to step in to help us with catching up.