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## **AIMS AND OBJECTIVES**

Integral Theory is an all-inclusive meta-framework that draws on the key insights of the world's greatest knowledge traditions. The awareness gained from drawing on all perspectives allows integral practitioners to bring new depth, clarity, and compassion to every level of human endeavor—from unlocking individual potential to finding new approaches to global-scale problems.

Articles published in the *Journal of Integral Theory and Practice (JITP)* represent explorations in several modes of discourse: philosophical, theoretical, pragmatic, experiential, and critical. *JITP* is committed to the refinement, development, and expansion of Integral Theory.

## **INSTRUCTIONS FOR AUTHORS**

*JITP* follows American Psychological Association (APA) style guidelines. Visit [www.integraljournal.org](http://www.integraljournal.org) for full submission guidelines and a glossary of Integral Theory terminology. An abbreviated outline of the manuscript review process is listed below.

In light of the fact that both Spiral Dynamics and the Integral model sometimes use a color scheme to describe levels of development, we request that authors specify which color scheme they are using (e.g., orange altitude vs. orange vMeme). Altitude can be used to refer to any developmental line (e.g., orange cognition, orange self-identity, etc.), while Spiral Dynamics, in the context of Integral Theory, specifically refers to levels of values development.

### **Review Process**

#### *Initial Review*

Authors must submit articles to Lynwood Lord at [llord@integralinstitute.org](mailto:llord@integralinstitute.org). In cases where authors do not adhere to *JITP* submission guidelines, manuscripts will be returned with a request that all components be provided. Theoretical changes, copy editing, and structural suggestions may be suggested at this stage.

#### *Peer Review*

The editorial team then assigns manuscripts to external reviewers. Information from submitted manuscripts may be systematically collected and analyzed as part of research to improve the quality of the editorial review process. Authors are expected to revise their article in light of peer-review comments and provide a revised draft within one month. Changes should be made using the track changes feature in Microsoft Word, so our editorial team can quickly identify edits.

#### *Theoretical Review*

Once a draft with peer-review comments incorporated is received, a theory call will be scheduled with Ken Wilber, Editor-in-Chief. Wilber will offer constructive criticism and theoretical clarifications. This is a good opportunity to learn and refine your understanding of Integral Theory. The call will be recorded and a link to download the audio will be provided within a week.

#### *Editorial Review*

Accepted manuscripts are edited in accordance with *JITP* editorial style.

#### *Author Review*

Authors will be e-mailed a proof and will have one week to suggest changes.

### **Critical Presentations**

Authors are encouraged to explore hypothetical and critical views in relationship to Integral Theory. When presenting hypothetical material (e.g., the possibility of a new line of development in one of the quadrants), authors should make it clear that a suggestive addition that is not currently part of Integral Theory is being offered, and then provide as much evidence, argumentation, and supportive material as possible to substantiate their position. When presenting critical material, authors must represent the components and claims of Integral Theory within an academically acceptable range of interpretation. *JITP* views the process of hypothetical and critical engagement as essential to the development of Integral Theory.

**BOOKS FOR REVIEW**

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