

Call for Papers for *WASEDA RILAS JOURNAL* No. 14

The Research Institute for Letters, Arts and Sciences (RILAS) of Waseda University began publishing the annual online journal, *WASEDA RILAS JOURNAL* (hereafter *JOURNAL*) in October 2013. Since then, this journal has continued to make public research outcomes from a wide variety of fields carried out by researchers associated with the Faculty of Letters, Arts and Sciences.

We are pleased to invite paper submissions for *JOURNAL* no.14. Those wishing to submit a paper are required to submit the application form in accordance with the following guidelines.

Guidelines for submission of manuscripts

Qualifications: Any person who has the qualifications described in 1) Qualification for Submission of the *WASEDA RILAS JOURNAL* “Requirement for Articles” Please note that it may be necessary to obtain a letter of recommendation depending on the category of submission*.

Submission Period: From 2026 April 1st to April 30th, 17:00 (JST)

Request for Application for Authorship and Submission of Letter of Recommendation:

(1) Submit the title of the paper, author(s), affiliation(s), contact information, etc.

Writing Application Form: Click [here](#) (for *JOURNAL*, no.14)

(2) For researchers who are not a Research Fellow or Invited Researcher: Request for submission of a letter of recommendation.

After downloading the “Letter of Recommendation” form, contact your intended recommender with a request to submit a letter of recommendation on your behalf. Recommenders who agree to write letters of recommendation will submit them to the *WASEDA RILAS JOURNAL* Office via the following address:

02_RILA.spxjuhalrxmf680@u.box.com

Various Information, Forms, etc.:

Please download the “Requirement for Articles” and “Guidelines for Writing Papers” from the website of the Research Center for Humanities and Social Sciences.

<https://www.waseda.jp/flas/rilas/en/research/journal/>

Attention: Regarding the instructions for writing a manuscript, please see the *WASEDA RILAS JOURNAL* “Guidelines for Writing Papers”

Important Notes

1. If, having attempted to send an email **which does not contain an attachment** to one of the above-mentioned addresses, you happen to receive the following automated reply (see image below), it means you have sent an email to an address which is dedicated exclusively to emails containing attachments. Please do not send emails other than those with attachments to these addresses. Conversely, if you wish to contact the WASEDA RILAS JOURNAL Office, please do so via the following address:

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これは、次のことが原因であった可能性があります。

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2. For submissions including images or charts, any text in captions attached to these images or charts should **NOT** be included in the total word count of your article.

Schedule

Date	Process
April 30 th , 17:00 (JST)	Deadline for filling out the application form for writing requests (No late submissions will be accepted for whatever reason.). Please click here to submit your application.
	Deadline for submitting a recommendation form for writing a paper (No late submissions will be accepted for whatever reason.) Please ask the recommender to send the file of the recommendation form to the following e-mail address. 02_RILA.spxjuha1rxmf680@u.box.com * In the event that you require a letter of recommendation, please send the file with your name and the title of your paper to your intended recommender. Your recommender, assuming he or she agrees to write a letter on your behalf, will then submit the file to the secretariat prior to the deadline.
Mid-May	Evaluation by the RILAS Steering Committee ⇒Notification of the result of preliminary examination to the contributors by e-mail

<p>May 31st, 17:00 (JST)</p>	<p>Deadline for Submission of Papers, etc. (No late submissions will be accepted for whatever reason)</p> <p>Please send the file of your paper as an attachment to the following e-mail address:</p> <p>01_RILA.m75pzro1ueb9bvzp@u.box.com</p> <p>* If the attached file exceeds 250 MB, or if you are unable to attach large files by email, a URL with access to an external storage folder containing your material may be sent to the following e-mail address (which does accept emails which lack any attachments):</p> <p>rilas-journal@list.waseda.jp</p> <p>*The file name of the paper should be written in the following format:</p> <p>Name_Title_2026rilas-j_.pdf</p> <p>Please write your own full name, first and last, as well as the main title (without the subtitle) of your own paper in place of the “Name” and “Title” found in the above file title format.</p> <p>*Applicants will not receive an automated confirmation of receipt by e-mail.</p>
<p>June</p>	<p>Peer review by members of the RILAS Steering Committee or by two other members entrusted by the RILAS Steering Committee.</p>
<p>Early July</p>	<p>Deliberations at the RILAS Steering Committee depending on the reviews.</p>
<p>Mid-July</p>	<p>Notification of review results (e-mailed to each applicant)</p>
<p>Mid-July to late August</p>	<p>Revision period based on the review results.</p>
<p>September</p>	<p>Re-review by the initial peer reviewers</p>
<p>Mid-October</p>	<p>Deliberation by the Steering Committee of RILAS based on the review results. →Finalization of papers for publication and notification of review results (sent to each applicant by e-mail)</p>
<p>Late October</p>	<p>Modification period for papers requiring revisions.</p>
<p>Late January</p>	<p>Publication of <i>WASEDA RILAS JOURNAL</i> no.14</p>

Reference: Qualification for Submission to *WASEDA RILAS JOURNAL*

People with the following qualifications may submit articles to *JOURNAL*.

- (1) Research member and invited researcher stipulated in the RILAS regulations.
- (2) Full-time faculty member of Waseda University who is not included in (1), and who obtains a recommendation from a member of RILAS and approval from the committee for submitting an article.
- (3) Part-time lecturer of Waseda University who obtains a recommendation from a member of RILAS and approval from the committee for submitting an article.
- (4) Graduate of the graduate school of Letters, Arts and Sciences, Waseda University, Doctoral course or Master's course graduates, Doctoral course candidates (those who have completed research guidance but not a dissertation), research students, etc., and regular students in the same graduate school, who obtain a recommendation from one of the representatives of the research groups of RILAS and approval from the committee for submitting an article.
- (5) Researcher other than (2)-(4), who obtains a recommendation from one of the representatives of the research groups of RILAS and approval from the committee for submitting an article.

Furthermore, persons who fall under categories (1)-(3) may apply to submit articles for publication until the academic year immediately following their retirement or dismissal. In the case of an article with joint authorship, each of its authors must meet the submission qualifications in order to submit their article for publication.

*If you are a research member or an invited researcher stipulated in the RILAS regulations, recommendation is not required. All full-time faculty members, part-time lecturers, and research assistant, affiliated with Faculty of Letters, Arts and Sciences, Waseda University are automatically considered research members of RILAS. See Article 21, Section 2 in "RILAS Regulations.")

*If you do not fulfill any of the qualifications listed above, a letter of recommendation is required. (Please see 1. Qualification for Submission in "Requirement for Articles.")

- a. If you are a full-time faculty member of Waseda University who is not a member of RILAS, or a part-time lecturer of Waseda University, it is necessary to obtain a recommendation letter from a research member of RILAS.
- b. For graduates of the graduate school of Letters, Arts and Sciences, Waseda University (including the Master's program), and regular students in the same graduate school, and other general researchers, it is necessary to obtain a recommendation letter from a representative of the research groups in RILAS.

Reference: Research groups active during the academic year 2026

[Research Institute for Letters, Arts and Sciences \(Website\)](#)