

Peer Review Guidelines for *Journal of Inter-Regional Studies: Regional and Global Perspectives (JIRS)*

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The committee sets out peer review procedures for the manuscripts (research articles and research notes) submitted to the *Journal of Inter-Regional Studies: Regional and Global Perspectives (JIRS)* as follows.

The editorial board will select two peer reviewers for each manuscript. In principle, authors will receive review results from the editorial team within one month after their submission. The format of the review report can be modified by reviewers.

Reviewers are requested to pay particular attention to the following criteria when evaluating the manuscript.

1. Clarity of the research question and the answer
2. Appropriateness of the literature review
3. Logical consistency of the argument
4. Appropriateness of the research method
5. Originality of the research findings
6. Format and clarity of writing

These are guidelines, however. The reviewers are expected to make an overall assessment of the manuscript from academic and pedagogical perspectives.

Reviewers make one of the three evaluations:

1. Accept
2. Revise and resubmit
3. Reject

Authors may express their opinions on the results of the review. They can communicate with the reviewers only through the editorial team of the journal.

If necessary, the Journal and HP Committee of Waseda ORIS can revise these Peer Review Guidelines.