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Dear researchers,

Ankara University Faculty of Educational Sciences Special Education Journal, the first journal in special education in Turkey, is indexed by ProQuest Political Science Journals, EBSCO Host, Information Matrix for the Analysis of Journals (MIAR), CiteFactor Academic Scientific Journals (Cite Factor), TÜBİTAK ULAKBİM Social Sciences Database, and Emerging Sources Citation Index (ESCI), since 2008, as you know. To be indexed in other indexes, especially Scopus and Social Sciences Citation Index (SSCI) in the upcoming period, applications were made. As a result of the correspondence with the relevant organizations, we felt the need to share some of the changes we made in the rules of our journal as the Editorial Board in order to carry our journal to higher levels both quantitatively and qualitatively, with you.

After completing the applications to be indexed in other indexes, especially Scopus and Social Sciences Citation Index (SSCI), in order for our journal to carry out this process faster, it was decided to publish both *Turkish* and *English full text* after the evaluation process of the studies uploaded to our journal beginning from January 15, 2021.

Accordingly, after completing the evaluation process and receiving acceptance, the studies written by the author(s) whose native language is Turkish will be requested to upload the English full text of the article to our journal system, along with a document (certificate) obtained from a certified editorial company. If the study is written in English by the author(s) whose native language is Turkish, firstly the article will be uploaded to our journal along with a document (certificate) obtained from a certified editorial service company, and after the acceptance, the author(s) will be asked to upload a Turkish copy to the system. Studies written by the native English-speaking author(s) will also be required to upload the study to the system along with a document (certificate) obtained from a certified editorial company during the first application. More detailed information on the subject can be found in the Evaluation and Publishing Process of Articles in the writing rules of our journal.

Secondly, in order to increase the quality and quantity of the studies published in our journal, review studies except systematic reviews, meta-analysis and meta-synthesis will not be evaluated in our journal, beginning from April 15, 2022. In this direction, the review studies, which are in online first and whose peer review processes are ongoing, will be included in future issues. After the publication process of review articles is completed, 10 studies, consisting of 8 research and 2 meta-analysis or meta-synthesis studies, will be published in our journal, which is published four times a year.

Finally, we will continue to publish 4 issues in 2021, but we are currently publishing 6 research and 2 review articles in each issue. We have decided to publish 8 research and 2 review articles in each issue, beginning from March 2021 issue. Thus, we aim for articles waiting in online first to quickly enter the main issue.

Researchers are expected to make the necessary arrangements by taking the stated decisions into consideration. I would like to thank you in advance for your sensitivity to make our journal more qualified. We hope your support and participation in the process will continue, as always been.

With all my respect.

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