



Peer review in scholarly journals

A workshop hosted by the *South African Journal of Science* aimed at early career researchers with little or no experience in peer reviewing journal articles.

Date: 13 September 2023
Time: 10:00 – 12:00
Venue: Zoom
RSVP: [Click here](#) to register

PROGRAMME		
10:00	Welcome and introduction	
10:10	What is peer review and what is it not?	Jemma Finch, UKZN Associate Editor: SAJS
10:20	What reviewers should know about peer review	Nkosinathi Madondo, MUT Associate Editor Mentee: SAJS
10:30	What authors should know about peer review	Shane Redelinghuys, Wits Associate Editor Mentee: SAJS
10:40	What editors should know about peer review	Michael Inggs, UCT Associate Editor: SAJS
10:50	Q&A	
11:05	What everyone should know about AI and peer review	Martin Bekker Wits University
11:30	Where to start with peer review	Leslie Swartz, SUN Editor-in-Chief: SAJS
11:40	Q&A	
11:55	Thanks and closure	



Presenters



Jemma Finch is an Associate Professor in Geography at the University of KwaZulu-Natal. She holds a PhD from the University of York. A palaeoecologist by training, Jemma uses plant and animal remains preserved in sediments to understand past climate and environmental change. Jemma is an NRF C2-rated scientist, is the recipient of the 2021 UKZN Vice Chancellor's Research Award, and has special interests in fieldwork-based training and in developing scientific writing skills. She is an Associate Editor of the South African Journal of Science in Archaeology, Anthropology & Palaeontology.



Nkosinathi Madondo is a Lecturer in Academic Literacy in the Teaching and Learning Development Centre at Mangosuthu University of Technology. He has a PhD from Rhodes University and a Master of Education in English Language and Media Studies from the University of KwaZulu-Natal. He has an ongoing interest in community engagement and development, through critical and decolonial theories. He is an Associate Editor/Mentee of the South African Journal of Science in Social Sciences & Education.



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Shane Redelinghuys is a Postdoctoral Research Fellow at the University of the Witwatersrand and National Institute for Communicable Diseases (NICD) where he studies the interplay between the human immune system and infectious diseases. He completed his PhD at the University of Pretoria. Shane enjoys all facets of science, including the effective communication thereof and the exchange of knowledge. He is a Thought Leader for the Golden Key International Honour Society and an Associate Editor/Mentee of the South African Journal of Science in Cell, Molecular & Health Sciences.



Martin Bekker is a computational social scientist and AI ethics researcher, and lectures on ethics and the social sciences in the School of Electronic and Information Engineering at the University of the Witwatersrand. Martin holds degrees in values studies and philosophy from Stellenbosch, Peace Studies from Bradford, Development from the London School of Economics, and a PhD from the University of Johannesburg. Before joining the academe, he was head of strategy and later of research at the Royal Bafokeng Administration and served on the World Economic Forum's advisory panel for sustainable mining and minerals.



Leslie Swartz is a Professor of Psychology at Stellenbosch University. His research focuses on disability rights and mental health issues in southern Africa. He has a particular interest in developing academic writing skills and increasing access to academic publishing. He is Editor-in-Chief of the South African Journal of Science and of the Scandinavian Journal of Disability.