



CALL FOR PAPERS

Philosophical Counselor

(Filozofski savjetnik)

**Interdisciplinary Journal for Practical Philosophy, Psychotherapy and
Philosophy of Health**

ABOUT THE JOURNAL

Philosophical Counselor (*Filozofski savjetnik* in Croatian) is an international peer-reviewed scholarly journal dedicated to fostering interdisciplinary and transdisciplinary dialogue between the humanities and biomedical sciences. The journal provides an academic platform for exploring theoretical and practical intersections of philosophy and mental health, while simultaneously promoting the popularization of philosophical expertise beyond narrow academic frameworks into domains of care, support, and the advancement of life harmony as a working virtue.

SCOPE AND FOCUS

The journal welcomes scholarly contributions addressing the following primary domains:

Philosophical Practice and Applied Ethics: Investigations of methodologies, ethical frameworks, and applications of philosophical inquiry in individual and group settings, with particular attention to the practical implementation of philosophical counseling and consultation.

Philosophy of Psychotherapy: Critical examinations of the ontological and epistemological foundations of various therapeutic and psychiatric models, including comparative analyses of different psychotherapeutic schools and their underlying philosophical assumptions.

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Biomedical Humanities: Integration of philosophical, social, and cultural perspectives within medical practice and theory, addressing the ethical, existential, and social dimensions of healthcare.

Metaphilosophical Investigations: Reflections on the nature, methods, and boundaries of philosophy itself, particularly as it relates to practical and clinical applications.



While these domains constitute the journal's primary focus, *Philosophical Counselor* actively encourages submissions that extend beyond these boundaries and explore innovative intersections between philosophy and related disciplines. The journal is committed to supporting academics and students in publishing original work that advances scholarly discourse and fosters meaningful collaborations across disciplinary lines. Contributions addressing themes in philosophical theology, traditional phenomenology, religious studies, philosophical anthropology, bioethics, neuroethics, philosophy of mind, philosophy of medicine, narrative medicine, medical humanities, existential psychology, philosophical pedagogy, social philosophy, philosophy of disability, philosophy for children, and philosophy of care are equally welcomed for consideration. The editorial board particularly values interdisciplinary work that challenges conventional categorizations and opens new avenues for theoretical and practical inquiry. Scholars working at the margins of established fields or developing novel methodological approaches are encouraged to submit their work, as the journal seeks to serve as a platform for intellectual innovation and the cultivation of scholarly networks that transcend traditional academic boundaries.

SUBMISSION CATEGORIES

The journal accepts submissions in the following categories:

- Original research articles
- Theoretical essays
- Comparative studies
- Case studies and practical applications
- Book reviews and critical discussions
- Philosophical travelogues (Logopis section)
- Visual-artistic contributions and philosophical comics

PUBLICATION DETAILS

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- Font: Times New Roman, 12 point
- Line spacing: 1.5
- Alignment: Justified
- Language: Manuscripts may be submitted in English, Croatian, or other related South Slavic languages

All submissions undergo rigorous double-blind peer review by international experts in the relevant fields. Authors can expect to receive initial feedback within eight to twelve weeks of submission.

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SUBMISSION PROCESS

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The journal is committed to publishing work of the highest scholarly quality that advances understanding at the intersection of philosophy, mental health, and the biomedical sciences, while maintaining rigorous standards of academic excellence and innovative approaches to age-old questions of human existence and well-being.

SUBMISSION DEADLINES

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