## Communication and Wellbeing in a Multicultural Society

## **Call for Submissions**

This special section of *China Media Research* invites scholars from different disciplines to submit manuscripts on the theme of "Communication and Wellbeing in a Multicultural Society." In an increasingly globalized world that brings members of diverse backgrounds into contact with each other in various relational, organizational, health, and mediated contexts, conflicts, tensions, and stress inevitably compromise the quality of life. Although mental illness has been a major public health threat in many countries, there have been low levels of mental health literacy, e.g., in China, that contributed to lack of support at interpersonal, institutional, and societal levels. This special section aims to explore how communication scholarship contributes to our understanding of psychological, socio-cultural, organizational, occupational, technological, or generational factors that impede or enhance our wellbeing, whether individually or as a group.

Following these considerations, scholars are invited to submit their original manuscripts that address the following topics, among others, from the perspective of communication and wellbeing:

- Migrant identities and adaptation
- Occupational stress
- Intergroup or intercultural conflicts
- Culture and communication styles
- Socialization and organizational culture
- Online and offline supportive communication
- Intergenerational gap
- Marginalized communities

Submissions must not have been previously published nor be under consideration by another publication. An extended abstract (up to 1,000 words) or a complete paper at the first stage of the reviewing process will be accepted. All the submissions must be received by **October 15, 2018**. If the extended abstract is accepted, the complete manuscript must be received by **January 15, 2019**. Manuscripts should be prepared in accordance with the APA publication manual (6th edition) and should not exceed 8,000 words including tables and references. All manuscripts will be peer reviewed, and the authors will be notified of the final acceptance/rejection decision. Please visit <a href="www.chinamediaresearch.net">www.chinamediaresearch.net</a> for more information about the quarterly journal of *China Media Research*, which publishes both print and online versions.

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