# VISTAS Call for Papers 2024

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Only original papers that have not been published will be considered for publication in the VISTAS journal. Authors are responsible for the originality and linguistic accuracy of contributions. The editorial board has the right to refuse publication of any paper.

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#### Email your papers to vistas@ou.ac.lk

Every submission should have the following: Title page, Abstract, Biography of author/s, application and addresses (including email addresses).

**Abstract**: An abstract with 250-300 words should be sent with every paper.

**Key Words:** Include 4-5 key words

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**Corresponding Author:** The last name with initial/s and given name is required. The email

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#### **Instructions to Authors:**

Paper size: A4 (210\*297mm).

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• The research papers should have an introduction, review of related literature, objectives and research questions, methods of data collection, findings, and conclusion.

## **Instructions on Formatting:**

Margins - Top 1", Bottom 1", Left 1.5", Right 1"

Font Size - 12 Points

Font type - Times New Roman
Paragraph - Justified, No Indent

Line spacing - Single

Headings and subheadings- Bold, Headings (Font size 14 points)

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