

Call for Papers

Power and social exclusion: Insights looking at language

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Social exclusion may be approached as a more or less concerted action, situated in time and space, and executed by someone towards another part. This thematic issue of *Language, Discourse & Society* focuses on language as a tool for social exclusion, but also for resistance to such discrimination and oppression.

Rather than approaching exclusion as pre-existing condition and action, contributions are encouraged to attend to the language and discourses utilised by specific actors, located in space and time, to control, guard – or challenge – borders against the entry of unwanted individuals or groups. The situations and contexts to be considered may be contemporary institutional practices and activities aiming at responsibility attribution, support, or inclusion of members of allegedly excluded and/or oppressed groups and people. Diverse institutional practices may be considered, across organizations, with a focus on how language use is entangled in exclusionary processes leading up to people being denied access to social, economic, material, cultural and/or political resources.

Submissions may include different methodologies, such as analyses of interaction, discourse, narratives and ethnomethodology. Both qualitative and quantitative methodologies are welcome. Contributions dealing primarily with theoretical and/or methodological challenges in empirical studies of discourse as situated action will also be appreciated. Articles highlighting contending voices and counter-discourses developed by those categorized as the “Other” are especially welcome.

Language, Discourse, & Society is an international peer-reviewed journal, focused on advancing sociological knowledge concerning language, face-to-face interaction, and other language-related social phenomena. The objective is to look at language from a sociological and/or a sociolinguistic perspective. This will be taken into account in the selection of articles for this upcoming issue “Power and social exclusion: Insights looking at language.”

In line with *Language, Discourse, & Society* policy, English, French and Spanish submissions are considered.

Full original articles may be submitted to Frida Petersson (frida.petersson@socwork.gu.se) and Stéphanie Cassilde (stephanie.cassilde@cehd.be) by the 9th of April 2018. If there is any question, authors are invited to contact the guest-editors.

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