

Call for Papers

Open Issue – Free Contributions

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In addition to the usual themed issues, due to the significant increase in the number of submitted articles in the last two years, with issue 02/2022 we offer the possibility of submitting scientific contributions that thematically correspond to the profile of our journal without any further restriction in terms of content.

Topics include but are not limited to:

- instructional design and student learning processes
- course and curriculum development
- profile and needs of the student population
- student support systems
- higher education management and leadership
- professional development of faculty members and administrative staff
- quality assurance, innovation, and change management
- developments in steering innovative processes

Author Guidelines

German or English contributions should comply with the following criteria: The article should:

- describe a concrete problem of higher education development of the (own) higher education institution as a starting point;
- be theoretically grounded (i.e., it offers a clear connection to the scientific discourse of the topic under discussion);
- provide scientific insights with added value for the readership of ZFHE;

- clearly elaborate on the methodology used;
- follow the relevant citation rules consistently (APA style, 6th edition);
- comprise of 20,000 to 33,600 characters (incl. spaces, as well as cover page, references, and author information)

Submission and review schedule

January 14, 2022 – Submission deadline for complete articles: Please upload your contribution(s) to the ZFHE journal system (<https://www.zfhe.at>) in the corresponding section (scientific contribution) of ZFHE 17/2 issue in anonymous format. To do so, you must first register as an author in the system.

April 8, 2022 – Feedback/Reviews: Contributions are evaluated in a double-blind process (see below).

May 6, 2022 – Revision deadline: Where necessary, contributions may be revised according to feedback and recommendations from the reviews.

June 2022 – Online publication: In June 2022, the finalized contributions are published under <https://www.zfhe.at> and also made available in print.

Review Process

All submitted contributions will be examined in a double-blind peer review process to guarantee scientific quality. The editors of the current issue propose the reviewers, allocate individual contributions to the reviewers, and determine which contributions will be accepted.

Formatting and submission

In order to save valuable time with the formatting of the contributions, we kindly ask that all authors work with the template from the beginning. The template can be downloaded from the ZFHE website under the following links:

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Questions?

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We look forward to your submissions!

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