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## **EDITORIAL**

The Advanced Journal of Professional Practice (AJPP) was established as a portal for new knowledge created for the advancement of *Professional Practice*. When considering the term *Professional Practice*, the AJPP defined this in its inaugural issue as:

"Any person(s) engaged in a professional role or work-related activity who demonstrate conscientious and ethical standards of conduct; technical, scientific, clinical, manual or other demonstrable impact of great competence in their field and who have attained the special education or training or skills required to become a patriot for their particular discipline"

It was hoped that the founding of this journal would allow for the dissemination of new knowledge or innovation of a work-related professional practice nature and which have translational relevance to other disciplines. The journal acts as a repository for new insights, innovations or practical advancements, which define the foundation of principles for effective, competent and safe professional practice. There are four mains types of submission considered for publication in AJPP and these include:

#### 1. Original articles.

As the name suggests these would be traditionally constructed original and contemporary scientific or creative articles. Submissions of an untraditional nature, but which demonstrate translational work-related professional practice application, will also be considered.

#### 2. Reflections on Practice

Reflecting thoughtfully on your work is vital for improving your own self-awareness, effectiveness and professional development. Articles within this section of the journal are expected to pay critical attention to learning from professional experiences so as to examine practice reflectively and to offer practical strategies for growth in knowledge and its application through a process of continuous learning.

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A successful book review includes a short summary of the book, background information about the topic and author, and an evaluation of the content. There is a conclusion as the usefulness and practical application of the book and an assessment of overall strengths and weaknesses.

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