

Journal of Analytic Theology

Statement of Editorial Policy and Procedures

Editorial Policy

The Journal of Analytic Theology is an interdisciplinary journal devoted to analytic theology. We welcome any paper in analytic theology. Analytic theology is an interdisciplinary subfield that explores traditional theological topics and questions (in diverse religious traditions) in conversation and methodological continuity with the analytic-philosophical tradition. The JAT publishes articles, book reviews and book symposia. Please read carefully below before submitting.

Articles

Articles in any area of analytic theology are welcome. This includes any theological tradition, including work that combines or compares different theological traditions.

An article should not be under review elsewhere when submitted to JAT, and should not have been published elsewhere. Papers should normally be under 9,000 words in length, the word count is *not* including references but including footnotes, appendices and other supplementary materials. Longer papers will be considered but note that they need to clear a higher bar, and need to have some justification for their length. We value economy of expression.

We are not including the list of references in the word count so as to encourage authors to cite inclusively, i.e., to cite work that has meaningfully played a role in the ideas of their paper, rather than only signalling their knowledge of the prestigious or most well-known works in the field.

Please prepare your work for anonymous refereeing; omit explicit self-citation (e.g., use "As Jones (2000) has argued" or "As [omitted for anonymous review] has argued" rather than "as I have argued (Jones, 2000)").

Book reviews

Publishers and authors may send books to be considered for review to the Book Review Editor, Jordan Wessling. Individuals who would like to be considered as potential book reviewers may contact the Book Review Editor via email jordanwessling@fuller.edu. (These messages will all be read; but, in the typical case, we will not send direct replies.)

Book symposia

Book Symposia are organized by the Editorial Team. We do not accept unsolicited symposia articles, and it is not our policy to respond to requests for symposia from authors or publishers.

Special issues

While JAT focuses on unsolicited articles we will on occasion publish special issues on a specific, timely topic in analytic theology.

If you want a special issue to be considered please send a proposal of maximum 2 pages stating the following

- Topic (provisional title and short description of what it will be about)
- Rationale for why it is timely to have a special issue on this topic,
- Names and institutional affiliations of the guest editor(s)
- How contributions will be solicited (e.g., through an open call for papers)
- If already known, a list of contributors and brief abstracts of their works.

Note that each paper of a special issue requires at least one external referee and approval of the editors of JAT in order to be published.

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Desk reject policy

Your paper will be examined by one of the editors (senior or executive) for scope and competence. If your paper is deemed of sufficient quality that it might be published, and falls within the scope of the journal (analytic theology), it will be

sent on for review. If it is not suitable, you should receive a desk reject within 2 weeks (this will be a formal rejection without comments).

Review procedure

We use a double-anonymous reviewing procedure. The names and institutional affiliations of authors will not be revealed to referees or to members of the editorial board, and reviewers' identities will likewise remain confidential.

After the initial read by one of the editors, your paper will be sent out to a reviewer. We will occasionally solicit an opinion of a second external reviewer.

We aim to provide an initial decision within three months (but bear in mind that it is difficult to find referees, and that not all referees respond in a timely manner). The initial recommendation of the referee will be one of the following:

- **Reject for publication:** problems with the submission and its suitability for publication in the JAT are too substantial to recommend a revised resubmission.
- **Revise and resubmit:** it is likely that the submission could be revised in such ways that it is suitable for publication in the JAT. If those revisions are made the submission would be reviewed again.
- **Accept (given minor corrections):** the submission is suitable for publication in the JAT. Any corrections required are minor.

After suitable revisions (if applicable), publication can only proceed if there is at least one positive referee report, and a positive recommendation by one of the editors.

Please note that while your MS has been accepted, sometimes during production, items are discovered that still need modification—typographical errors or more substantive items—which must be corrected before final publication.

In the unlikely event that author(s) are unwilling to make the requested changes or unable to address the relevant issues in other ways to the satisfaction of the Editorial Team, we reserve the right to refrain from publishing the paper.