WORKSHOP ASSIGNMENT 4
JOURNAL IMPACT AND AUTHOR CITATION EXERCISE

Complete the exercise below for the sample RA you will be analyzing in the Workshops. E-mail the completed exercise to Margaret along with the analysis of your RA section on which you will be leading the discussion.

To do the exercise, use the Web of Science (WS), Scopus and/or Google Scholar, which you will find at the links below:

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Follow the instruction below to use the Impact Factor, Scientific Journal Rankings and citation indices in Web of Science, Scopus and Google Scholar as a means of putting your sample RA into a general context.

A) For the journal where your sample RA was published, go to:
   a. the Web of Science home page find the journal’s Impact Factor (IF) for
      i. the year that the RA was published
      ii. a few years before and after publication by clicking “Impact Trend”
   b. and/or the Scopus home page find the Scientific Journal Rating (SJR) and Scientific Normalized Impact (SNIP) in Scopus
      i. for the year of publication
      ii. comparison with other journals in the area by clicking on “comparison with other journals”

   NOTE: If the RA is very recent, it may only be possible to find the IF/SJR for previous years.

When you lead the Workshop discussion, be ready to take up the importance of the journal in the field or subfield. To do so, also check with researchers in your field about which journals they consider to be important and about what is considered a “good” Impact Factor of Journal Rating in that field/subfield. You might even ask about their opinions about journal rating systems in general.

B) Search in one or more citation index (i.e., Web of Science, Scopus and/or Google Scholar) and do the following:
   a. Find the number of times the RA in question was cited. (This tells you something about the interest in the field for the specific RA.)
NOTE: If the RA is very recent it may be too early for it to be cited. If this is the case, go on to step C).

b. Copy the names of the journals and the titles and authors of the citing RAs.
(Skim through the list to get an idea about the (type of ) researchers that consider this RA to be of interest and the (sub)fields of those researchers.)

NOTE: If the author selected has a common name (e.g., Johan Svensson), make sure that the citations are for the researcher of interest and not a researcher in another field with the same name.

C) Search in one or more citation index to find information about one of the authors of your RA. (This may be the 1st author, the corresponding author or any of the others. Be ready to explain in why you chose that author.)
   a. Find up to five other RAs of the author chosen and list their titles, journal titles and years of publication.
   b. Copy the titles of the five RAs, the journals in which they were published and the year of publication. (Skim through the list to get an idea about the (type of ) research of the author selected.)
   c. Find the total number of RAs written by the author chosen.
   d. Find the total number of citations for the author you have chosen.

Use the format below for the exercise:

A) Name of Journal and date of publication of the sample RA:

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   a) Impact Factor (IF):
      a. for the year of publication of the sample RA: ________________

      b. for a few years before and at least one year after publication of the RA

      You can attach the graph from the web site to your assignment or list the dates and impact factors.

      b) And/or Scientific Journal Rating (SJR) and Scientific Normalized Impact (SNIP):

      a. for the year of publication of the sample RA: SJR_________ SNIP _________

      b. comparison with other journals (Attach the graph from the web site.)

B) Title of the sample RA with authors:

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   a. Number of citations for the RA: ________________

   b. Copy of the list of the journals, the RA titles and authors of the citing RAs

C) List of five additional RAs by one of the authors of the sample RA.