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Scope

The journal focuses on changes and dynamism in phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics, pragmatics, sociolinguistics, psycholinguistics, computational, historical and applied linguistics. It also delves into developments in specific languages or language families, language acquisition and learning, language teaching methodologies, and linguistic diversity. The journal also explores developments in literary theory, literary criticism, comparative literature, world literature, genre studies (e.g., poetry, drama, fiction), cultural studies in literature, postcolonial literature, gender studies in literature, narrative theory, and stylistics. It also examines the transformation of specific authors, literary movements and the changing literary landscape. Further, it accepts articles exploring the intersection of language and culture in literary works.

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- **Languages:** The journal accepts articles written in Kiswahili and English
- **Nature of articles:** Articles to be published in CJLLS shall be original and must not have been submitted for publication to any other publishers.
- **Frequency of publication:** The journal shall be published online twice a year (February and November).
- **Review process:** This is a double-blind peer-reviewed journal

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1. **Length:** A manuscript, including all references, tables, and figures, shall be between 4,000 and 7,000 words, except for a book review that will be at most 1500 words. This includes an abstract of not more than 250 words and five keywords underneath
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7. **Author's identity:** Authors should present their names, institutions, and addresses in a separate file during submission to allow for double-masked review.

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1. Feedback on articles rejected will be received within 30 days of the submission
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