Special Issue

Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Personal Names and Naming in Africa

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The scope will cover new and emerging forms of significations associated with personal names as social and cultural texts, revealing how identity is constructed and shaped in different situations. The special issue will take into account specific thematic issues emerging from name data and explicate how complex subjectivities are formed through personal names in a bid to develop new research directions in name studies. The special issue will further explore temporal perspectives on names and naming, which could include variation and changing patterns over time, and on how names reflect temporal stances towards the past and/or the future. It aims to highlight novel areas of research within the broad spectrum of anthroponyms that will generate significant interest to scholars of interdisciplinary concerns.

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