Special Issue

The Role of Poverty and Inequality: A Focus on Housing Insecurity, Homelessness and Social Policies

Message from the Guest Editor

There is a global crisis of inequality, poverty, housing insecurity and homelessness, and inequality and poverty are major drivers of housing insecurity and homelessness across the world. These four interconnected social phenomena are multidirectional and impact each other in different ways. The focus of this Special Issue of *Social Sciences* is on how all forms of inequality and poverty impact housing insecurity and homelessness, and how social policy and program interventions are designed to address these challenges. This Special Issue calls for contributions from across the globe that focus on the interconnections between inequality, poverty, housing insecurity and homeelssness and provide critical analyses of the design, implementation and evaluation of social policies aimed at addressing these fours social issues. Contributions are encouraged from all social science-related disciplines and may include analyses of programs and interventions that have achieved positive outcomes for people and communities who have experienced marginalisation and oppression.

Guest Editor

Dr. Shane Warren

School of Public Health and Social Work, Faculty of Health, Queensland University of Technology, Brisbane 4059, Australia

Deadline for manuscript submissions

31 January 2026



Social Sciences

an Open Access Journal by MDPI

Impact Factor 1.7 CiteScore 3.1



mdpi.com/si/232772

Social Sciences Editorial Office MDPI, Grosspeteranlage 5 4052 Basel, Switzerland Tel: +41 61 683 77 34 socsci@mdpi.com

mdpi.com/journal/

socsci





Social Sciences

an Open Access Journal by MDPI

Impact Factor 1.7 CiteScore 3.1





Message from the Editor-in-Chief

Social Sciences is an international open access peer-reviewed journal publishing the latest research across all disciplines of the social sciences including anthropology, criminology, economics, education, geography, history, law, linguistics, political science, psychology, social policy, social work, sociology and related areas. The journal is especially interested in interdisciplinary research, and aims to facilitate the interaction and communication between different social scientific disciplines. The journal welcomes conventional length articles as well as shorter Research Notes or short articles, as long as they meet the journal's standards of quality and originality.

Editor-in-Chief

Emeritus Prof. Nigel Parton

School of Human and Health Sciences, University of Huddersfield, Huddersfield HD1 3DH, UK

Author Benefits

Open Access:

free for readers, with article processing charges (APC) paid by authors or their institutions.

High visibility:

indexed within Scopus, ESCI (Web of Science), RePEc, and other databases.

Journal Rank:

JCR - Q2 (Social Sciences, Interdisciplinary) / CiteScore - Q2 (General Social Sciences)

