

Special Issue

Environments of Belonging: How Built and Natural Spaces Shape Social Wellbeing in Urban Contexts

Message from the Guest Editor

This Special Issue invites original research and critical reviews exploring how built and natural environments shape social wellbeing, with the aim of interrogating how diverse physical, social, and ecological spaces either facilitate or hinder social connection, belonging, and mental wellbeing. We welcome interdisciplinary work spanning the fields of urban planning, environmental psychology, public health, geography, sociology, and community development. We are especially interested in studies that examine mediating and moderating factors, such as perceived safety, mobility, biodiversity, accessibility, or cultural congruence, that explain or influence the relationships between place and social health. Submissions may focus on different geographic contexts, population groups, or theoretical frameworks, and mixed-methods, participatory, and community-engaged research approaches are particularly encouraged.

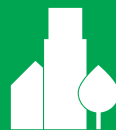
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