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Table 1: Type of Manuscripts publish in JNNC including the Word Count Limit

Type	Specifications	Word counts limit excluding references
Original Research	Original research manuscript related to nursing and allied health issues	2,500
Field/Case report	Report on program/project, field practices, evaluations, case studies related to nursing and allied health issues.	1,500
Review	Review of books/ literature related to nursing with professional comments and views	1,000
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Submission of Manuscript

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Manuscript should be typed using ‘Times New Roman’ font size 12 and double spaced throughout. Pages should be numbered consecutively beginning with the title page. Include the page number on the bottom of the page at the centre. The format for preparation of the manuscript is given in table 2 and 3.

Table 2: Format for Preparing the Original Research Manuscript

Subdivision	Specifications
Title	Title page should include the title of the article, author (s) names, and institutional affiliations. Title of the article should be clear and concise. Author’s name should be in the order of first name, initial of second name and surname in full (e.g. Maiya D. Shrestha). The second page should start with the title of the article (with no author’s name) followed by the abstract and the text.
Abstract	Should not exceed 300 words and need to be structured with objectives, methods, results and conclusions.
Key words	Should not be more than five words
Introduction	Should include background, rationale and objectives of the study
Methodology	Should include the design used along with the study setting, population, sample size, sampling and data collection procedure. It should also include research instrument, data analysis procedure and ethical consideration
Results	Should describe the findings using up to five table and /or figures. Tables or/and figures should be numbered along with the heading.
Discussions and Conclusions	Should relate finding of the study to other relevant studies. Include in discussion section the implications of the findings along with the limitations of the study. The conclusions should be made based on the findings. Recommendations may be included as needed.
References	Reference citation and listing should be done using American psychological association (APA) style. The author should make the reference list to the maximum of 15.

Table 3: Format for Preparing the Field/ Case report/Review report/ Opinion Manuscript

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Title	Title page should include the title of the article, author (s) names, and institutional affiliations. Title of the article should be clear and concise. Author's name should be in the order of first name, initial of second name and surname in full (e.g. Maiya D. Shrestha). The second page should start with the title of the article (with no author's name) followed by the abstract and the text.
Abstract	Should not exceeding 150 words and it needs should describe what the paper covers including the purpose of the article
Key words	Should not be more than five words
Content	Should include introduction, presentation of information in a focused way along with the conclusions and recommendations as relevant.
References	Reference citation and listing should be done using American Psychological Association (APA) style. The author should make the reference list to the maximum of 5.

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