

ICMER 2025  
Department of Education and Childcare,  
Faculty of Arts and Culture,  
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**Paper submission guidelines**

Conference Main theme

**“Cultivating Critical Thinking: New Paradigms in Education”**

❖ Key Themes of the conference

Educational Psychology

Educational Technology

Professional Development and Career Growth

Educational Management and Leadership

Inclusive Education and Diversity

Co- Curriculum and Curriculum

Assessment and Evaluation

Future trends in Education

Community and Parental Involvement

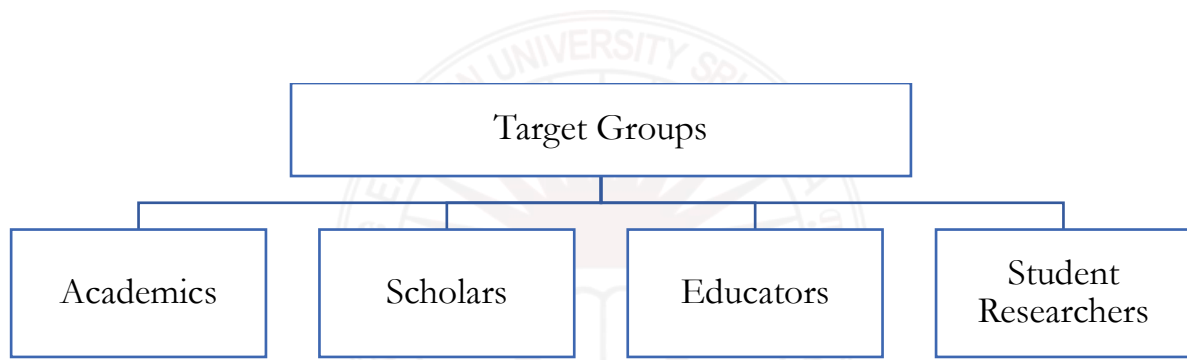
Teaching Innovation and Best Practices.

Artificial Intelligent in Education

Value Education

Social Science and Humanities

Bilingual Education



### ❖ Conference Paper Submission Criteria

SN	Criteria	Details
1.	Abstract	Submit a <b>250–300-word</b> abstract summarizing the research purpose, methods, key findings, and relevance. <b>10-point font with one paragraph with including 5 Key words (maximum)</b>
2.	Full Paper Length	The complete paper should be <b>5,000–6,000 words</b> , including all references and appendices.
3.	Formatting	Use APA 7th Edition, <b>Garamond or Baamini, 12-point font</b> , double-spaced, with Margins: 2.5 cm margins. <b>Figures and tables 10-point normal Line Spacing:1.5</b>
4.	Paper Structure	Include: Title, Abstract, Keywords, Introduction, Literature Review, Methodology, Results, Discussion, Conclusion, and References.
5.	Originality	Submissions must be original, unpublished work and must not be under review elsewhere.
6.	Plagiarism	All papers will be screened for plagiarism. A similarity index of less than 15% is required. Must be <b>below 15% similarity</b> (checked through plagiarism software).
7.	Language	The paper must be written in formal academic English or Tamil with correct grammar and scholarly tone.
8.	Review	Submissions undergo double-blind peer review. Revisions may be requested.
9.	Submission Format	Submission Format: Submit in Word format (.doc/.docx) via the official email or portal. <b>Icmer2025eb@esn.ac.lk</b>
10.	Author Information	Include author name, designation, affiliation, and email on a separate title page only.

## ❖ Structure of the Paper – Section-wise Format

**TITLE (uppercase letters, center aligned, Tamil-Baamini/English-Garamond, 14pt, Bold)**

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3rd Author Affiliation

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SN	Section	Content Format / Guidelines
1.	Title	A concise, informative, and specific title ( <b>10–15 words</b> ) that reflects the study's main focus.
2.	Abstract	<b>250–300 words summarizing the background</b> , aim, methodology, major findings, and significance of the study. No citations.
3.	Keywords	<b>maximum 5 relevant terms</b> that reflect the core content of the study. (E.g., Conflict Resolution, School Leadership, Negotiation Skills).
4.	Introduction	Brief background, problem statement, research objectives/questions, rationale, and significance of the study.
5.	Literature Review	Review of previous research and theories related to your topic. Identify research gaps your study addresses.
6.	Methodology	Describe the research design, participants, sampling method, tools/instruments, data collection and analysis techniques.
7.	Results and Discussion	Present findings clearly (tables/figures if needed), interpret results in relation to objectives and existing literature.
8.	References	List all sources cited in <b>APA 7 format</b> (alphabetical order).

## ❖ Example of In-Text Citation

1.	In-Text Citations: (Author(s) Last Name, Year)	❖ Single author: (Smith, 2020) ❖ Two authors: (Johnson & Williams, 2021) ❖ Three or more authors: (Brown et al., 2019)
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## ❖ Example of Reference Lists

SN	source	Methods of writing
1.	Book	<p>Author(s). (Year). Title of the book. Publisher.</p> <p>Kruger, F., &amp; Mitchell, B. (2019). Research methodology. Oxford University Press.</p>
2.	Book Chapter	<p>Author(s). (Year). Title of chapter. In Editor(s), Title of book (pp. Page range of chapter). Publisher.</p> <p>Kilkenny, K. (2020). What is teacher training? In C. Carden (Ed.), Primary teaching (pp. 23-46). SAGE Publishing.</p>
3.	Journal Article	<p>Author(s). (Year). Title of the article. Title of the Journal, volume number (issue number), page range. DOI or URL where available</p> <p>Williams, M. (2011). Cultural identity, language identity, gender identity. English Academy Review, 28(1), 1–4.  <a href="https://doi.org/10.1080/10131752.2011.573998">https://doi.org/10.1080/10131752.2011.573998</a></p>
4.	Conference Paper	<p>Author(s). (Year). Title of the paper. In Editor(s) of the Conference (Eds.), Title of the Conference Proceedings (pp. page range). Publisher. DOI or URL</p> <p>Smith, J., &amp; Doe, J. (2022). Advancements in Artificial Intelligence. In M. Johnson (Ed.), Innovations in Technology: Proceedings of the Conference on Technology and Innovation (pp. 45-52). Tech Publishing. doi:10.1234/conference paper</p>
5.	Newspaper Article	<p>Author(s). (Year, Month Day). Title of article. Newspaper Name, Page number. URL (if available)</p> <p>Johnson, S. (2023, September 3). New Discoveries in Space Exploration. The Daily Gazette, A1, A3. <a href="https://www.dailygazette.com/new-discoveries-space">https://www.dailygazette.com/new-discoveries-space</a></p>
6.	Website	<p>Author(s) or Organization. (Year, Month Day). Title of the page. Website Name. Retrieved Date from URL</p> <p>World Wildlife Fund. (2023, June 15). The Impact of Climate Change on Biodiversity. World Wildlife Fund. Retrieved March 23, 2023, from <a href="https://www.worldwildlife.org/climate-change-impact">https://www.worldwildlife.org/climate-change-impact</a></p>