

EDITORIAL PSYKHE JANUARY 2025

The history of the journal Psykhe began in 1992, and since then it has contributed uninterruptedly and significantly to the development and dissemination of research in psychology both in Chile and Latin America, with an emphasis on the quality of academic work, rigorous research and its relevance to the social and cultural context. From 2020 to date Psykhe has published a total of 154 articles (including those available online first), by authors from 18 countries. This demonstrates our deep conviction in the relevance of building a collaborative, solid and rigorous scientific community, which allows us to sustain the quality of academic work in our region and its impact on our societies. For this reason, I would first like to thank the researchers who send their articles to the journal, those who collaborate in reviewing them, and all the collaborators of Psykhe who have allowed us to sustain our role in this community.

At the beginning of this new year 2025, we would like to renew this commitment, sharing with the community of authors, reviewers and readers of the journal some modifications and developments that we believe will allow Psykhe to continue its outreach work.

Starting in 2024, the journal's editorial board decided that all articles published in Psykhe will have Spanish and English versions. This decision will increase the impact of the articles by reaching a wider and more diverse readership. In addition, it will allow the papers published in Psykhe to have a direct dialogue with the international literature, being also consulted and cited by authors who are not fluent in Spanish. For these purposes, we are working with specialized software that allows us to generate a version in English or Spanish (depending on the original language of the article) adjusted to the original, which is then sent to the authors for their approval for the final publication of their article in a translated version. We hope that this effort, which has involved economic and professional resources, will mean a greater visibility of the scientific work published in Psykhe, and will favor international collaboration networks and the development of knowledge sensitive to local particularities, thus overcoming the bias in the international literature towards scientific production based on WEIRD (Western, Educated, Industrial, Rich, Democratic) societies.

Another important modification from 2025 onwards is the decision to eliminate the two annual issues and migrate to a continuous publication format. Although accepted articles are currently available online first, they must wait for their formal inclusion in an issue of the journal. For the same reason, we have decided to use a modality that favors fluidity in editorial work and publication, in order to make accepted articles available to the Psykhe audience on a continuous basis.

In line with our commitment to quality standards and rigor in Psykhe's scientific publications, and following the international academic community's updates on the requirements for publication in various formats, we have updated the conditions for the publication of systematic reviews and instrument designs, adaptations and validations. Details of these updates are available on our website. In general, for the publication of systematic reviews, in addition to the rigorous application of the methodology for such reviews, emphasis will be placed on the justification of the relevance and necessity of such reviews, and the contribution to a discussion relevant to the field of studies, beyond the mere description of the state of the art in a particular topic. In relation to the design, adaptation and/or validation of instruments, in addition to the requirements already considered, the following will be emphasized.

We would also like to highlight our already consolidated alliance with the Scientific Society of Psychology of Chile (SCP), allowing us to publish the abstracts presented at their annual congresses, which can be reviewed on our website. This makes possible a constant updating of the topics addressed by national researchers and their methodological and analytical perspectives, and favors the development of the discussion and consolidation of pertinent and relevant lines of research for our country, and by extension for our region.

We invite you to continue building together with Psykhe, to consider this journal as a means of dissemination for your work, to consult the articles published in it, and to continue consolidating a rigorous and inclusive scientific community whose work is relevant and significant for a more equitable development of our societies.

Kind regards,

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