

Call for Papers

ABC Studies, the Journal of the Academic Anglophone Society of Romania, is now accepting submissions for its **December 2011** issue, an open-theme edition featuring our usual selection of critical-creative multidisciplinary work. We invite contributions in the form of articles, essays, interviews, book reviews, conference presentations and project outlines that seek to take Anglophone studies to a new level of enquiry across disciplinary boundaries.

In our upcoming issue, we aim to feature a wider selection of new writing in English and place stronger emphasis on unconventional insights into the practice and theory of Creative Writing. *ABC*'s new feature, the academic diary, presenting reflections on the cultures of the academia as experienced by the visiting lecturer and the global conference goer offers an alternative genre for the distilling and recording of developments of the subject.

American, British and Canadian Studies appears biannually in June and December. It is a peer-reviewed journal that sets out to explore the intersections of culture, technology and the human sciences in the age of electronic information. It publishes work by scholars of any nationality on Anglophone Studies, Comparative Literary and Cultural Studies, Postcolonial Theory, Social and Political Science, Anthropology, Area Studies, Multimedia and Digital Arts and related subjects. Articles addressing influential crosscurrents in current academic thinking are particularly welcomed. *ABC* also publishes book reviews and review essays, interviews, work-in-progress, conference reports, research projects outlines, notes and comments, and, annually, a list of theses on topics related to Anglophone Studies completed at Romanian Universities. To maintain an ongoing dialogue with our readers, we alternate commissioned themed issues, where papers are actively commissioned by the special issue editor, with issues featuring unsolicited submissions that address themes of immediate interest to us.

Calls for papers inviting submissions to the non-commissioned issues are announced via the journal's web pages and in the journal itself. Our primary goal is to bring together in trans-cultural dialogue scholars conducting advanced research in the theoretical humanities. As well as offering innovative approaches to influential crosscurrents in current thinking, the journal seeks to contribute fresh angles to the academic subject of English and promote groundbreaking research across conventional boundaries. Within the proposed range of diversity, our major scope is to provide close examinations and lucid analyses of the role and future of the academic institutions at the cutting edge of high-tech. To respond to the increasing demands of 'acceleration' in the twenty-first century, an electronic edition of the journal is now being made available, offering full access to subscribers, and free access to the tables of contents, abstracts and reviews to non-subscribers. Articles published in *ABC* are abstracted and indexed on the journal's website. Detailed guidelines for submission are given on the journal's website <http://abcjournal.ulbsibiu.ro/>. Contributions can include: articles, in-depth interviews with both established and emerging thinkers and writers, notes on groundbreaking research, and reviews of recently published fiction and critical works. Tables of contents and sample full text articles can be viewed without a subscription and our search feature is publicly available.

Guidelines for Contributors

ABC seeks quality submissions of work in the entire spectrum of the humanities. The review process is *blind*: articles are sent out to subject specialists for reviewing anonymously and we leave it up to the reviewers to choose whether or not to reveal themselves to you. Decisions on articles submitted are normally made within two months. You are strongly encouraged to submit exciting and broad-ranging original articles that have not been published elsewhere, nor are currently under review in any other refereed journal. **We regret we are unable to accept multiple submissions.** You may submit papers that have been presented in conferences only if the papers have been thoroughly revised or

extended to engage a theme that fits the *ABC* profile. A chief objective of the journal is to minimise the time for paper processing and to expedite printing; therefore, electronic submission of papers in final form is strongly recommended. Please email your contribution to abc.journal@ulbsibiu.ro before the closing date. Alternatively, manuscripts can be submitted via the Scipio platform (<http://scipio.ro>). The first page of the manuscript should carry the title, names of authors, institutional affiliations, a brief but detailed 200-word abstract, and ten key words/concepts. **The normal word-limit for articles is 7500 words including notes.** Please include a brief **200-word biography** for our Notes on Contributors along with **contact information**. For detailed instructions for preparing your contribution and a sense of format, topics of interest to us and targeted audience, you may wish to consult the journal's previous issues and style files at <http://abcjournal.ulbsibiu.ro>. **Only articles styled in compliance with the latest (7th) edition of the MLA Handbook and our Submission Guidelines posted on the journal websites will be considered.** Please email us if you have any queries. Questions about content should be directed to adriananeagu@lett.ubbcluj.ro.

Deadlines for Submissions: *ABC* is published biannually in December and June. The deadlines for submission of contributions are **September 15** for the winter edition (expected publication: **December 15**) and **March 15** for the summer edition (expected publication: **June 15**).

Special Issues

Suggestions for special issues are welcome. To propose a special issue, a two-page proposal should be submitted to Adriana Neagu, Advisory Editor, containing the following information: title; purpose; scope; a list of prospective contributors; time-table (submission and review deadlines, intended publication date); and guest editor's address, phone, fax, and e-mail address. Once approved, the guest editor will be fully responsible for the special issue and should follow the normal review procedure of this journal. Simple proposals of theme(s) without guest-editing commitment are also welcome and will be given due consideration. Please attach these to your contributions and email to adriananeagu@lett.ubbcluj.ro.