

Guidelines for Submissions to JSRI JustSouth Monthly E-newsletter

Submission Focus

We are seeking for publication in the JSRI monthly e-newsletter short written submissions or videos that address pressing/timely criminal legal system reform and/or racial justice topics. We urge the author to view one's chosen topic through the lens of Jesuit values, Catholic Social Teaching, or another faith or spiritual lens, although this is not required. The piece should seek to educate, inform, inspire, stimulate, and/or persuade the reader about a criminal justice and/or racial justice issue that is timely and important in realizing a more just and humane university community, city, state, country, or world.

Potential Authors

We seek submissions primarily from Loyola University New Orleans faculty, staff, and students. We also hope to eventually include pieces by Loyola alumni, and JSRI community partners. Authors must be invited by JSRI to provide a submission to the JSRI newsletter. Members of the Loyola community are urged to contact the JSRI e-newsletter curator, Sue Weishar, Ph.D. at sweishar@loyno.edu or 480-522-0533, if interested in contributing to the JSRI e-newsletter.

Audience

The newsletter will be sent monthly via campus email to all faculty, staff, and students at the Loyola University New Orleans main campus and law school as well as nearly two-thousand JSRI e-newsletter subscribers from across the Jesuit world.

Submission Length

Text submissions, such as essays, opinion pieces, personal reflections, or poems **should not exceed 500 words** nor be less than 250 words. (Exceptions made on case-by-case basis.)

Video submissions should **not exceed 5 minutes**. (Exceptions made on case-by-case basis.)

Editorial Policy

Submissions should be original pieces by the author addressing a criminal justice and/or racial justice issue. The content of the submitted piece must not be in opposition to Catholic Social Teaching or Jesuit values. The editor of the newsletter, JSRI Executive Director Annie Phoenix, Ph.D., will give final editorial approval to all submissions.

Honorarium

If your piece is accepted by JSRI, you will receive a \$350 honorarium from JSRI.

Due Dates

The due date for submission is the second Tuesday of the month the author has been assigned by JSRI. This is a HARD deadline. Every day the piece is late \$50 will be subtracted from the author's honorarium. If the piece is not submitted by COB of the second Friday of the month, the author's invitation to submit will be withdrawn.

Examples

Here are pieces published recently on criminal justice or racial justice issues, some through a faith lens:

[*The Work of the New Orleans DA's Civil Rights Division: Giving Second Chances to Reformed Men and Women Makes Us a Better Community*](#)

[*A Culture of Encounter with Life Without Parole*](#)

[*Understanding Catholic Social Teaching and Racial Justice*](#)

[*53 Immigrants, 53 Human Beings: Do We Care?*](#)

Some Resources on CST and Jesuit Values

Seven Themes of Catholic Social Teaching from USCCB

What is Catholic Social Teaching (CST)? by Fred Kammer, S.J.

The Twelve Ideals of a Jesuit Education

Quotes/Teachings of Pope Francis from University of San Francisco