

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

Special Issue: The T.A.T. and Other Storytelling Projective Methods

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Thematic apperceptive techniques, in which people tell stories about pictures, are used clinically far more widely than they have been studied with systematic research. Although numerous empirically supported scoring systems that address important clinical questions exist, clinicians more often rely on theory-based idiographic interpretation of stories as representations of clients' internal relational schemata that can be used to illustrate assessment findings in discussions with a client or to evoke insightful reflections on the client's situation.

For this special issue of *Rorschachiana*, we hope to receive empirical papers that give evidence for the usefulness of scoring systems. These should include information on the process of scorer training and the availability of the manual used to obtain interscorer reliability. Methodological papers that elucidate the nature and output of the storytelling task or address questions bearing on the validity, utility, and application of these systems are also welcomed. Case studies may be of interest to the extent that they demonstrate the value of a systematic approach to story material. However, they have to follow specific guidelines and only a limited number will be considered for publication (the instructions to authors can be downloaded from the journal's website at <http://www.hogrefe.com/periodicals/rorschachiana/advice-for-authors/>). A range of theoretical perspectives is welcome.

Because *Rorschachiana* is an international journal, each empirical paper should comment on the international implications of the findings and discuss its cross-cultural use. Such comments may include, for example, its linguistic specificity, its robustness in translation, and the cross-cultural generalizability of the constructs and behaviors of the measure and its usual correlates. Cross-cultural generalizability is not, however, a requirement.

Proposals

Proposals including a title, name of the author(s), contact details and an abstract (300 words) should be submitted via email to jenkinss@unt.edu before the 16th of December 2013. Please include in the subject header "TAT issue" followed by the name of the first author (e.g. TAT - DOE, John). Selected authors will be informed at the end of January 2014 and will have to send in their manuscript before the 31st of March 2014. All proposals and manuscripts will be peer-reviewed.

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