

Draft recommendations: ABDC Journal Quality List

This document outlines substantive decisions made regarding the ABDC Journal Quality List as an outcome of the 2022 Review. Substantive decisions are classified as those to: (a) remove journals, (b) to add new journals, or (c) not to add new journals.

The ABDC seeks stakeholder feedback on the changes to the ABDC JQL proposed in this document. Submissions may be lodged online via the following link: <https://australianbusinessdeanscouncil.wufoo.com/forms/stakeholder-feedback-draft-2022-abdc-jql/>

Submissions close on **14 December 2022** at 11.59pm AEDT.

Background to the 2022 Review

As a partial review the scope of the 2022 review is confined to:

- inclusion of new relevant journals;
- exclusion of non-relevant journals;
- exclusion of likely predatory or overly aggressive journals;
- journal name changes.

The 2022 review does not accommodate any re-rating of currently listed journals — such re-ratings will be the major focus of the next full review due in 2024–25.

In September 2022 submissions to the review were invited from relevant stakeholders, being:

- a. An ANZ business school or faculty deemed to have a legitimate interest in the disciplines covered by the ABDC JQL.
- b. A relevant peak body representing ANZ academics.
- c. An individual or group of like-minded academics with formal affiliation/s to universities based in ANZ.

Submissions received outside these stakeholder groups were not considered.

In line with the review's Terms of Reference, Panel Chairs were appointed aligned to the field of research groupings used in the 2019 review:

Panel Name	Panel Chair	2019 FoRs	2022 FoRs
Accounting	Professor Mark Wilson, ANU	1501	3501
Business and Taxation Law	Professor Michael Walpole, UNSW	180105 and 180125	4801
Economics and Statistics	Professor James Morley, University of Sydney	0104 and 1401–1499	3801, 3802, 3803, 3899, 4905
Finance including Actuarial Studies	Professor Yulia Merkoulova, Monash University	1502	3502
Information Systems	Professor Julia Kotlarsky, University of Auckland	0806	4609, 4610
Management, Commercial Services, Transport, and Logistics	Professor Jon Billsberry, University of Wollongong	1503, 1504, 1507, 1599	3503, 3504, 3505, 3507, 3509, 3599
Marketing and Tourism	Professor Sara Dolnicar, University of Queensland	1505, 1506	3506, 3508

Recommendations

Accounting

Title	Publisher	ISSN	e-ISSN	Panel comment	Proposed change
Academy of Accounting and Financial Studies Journal	Academy of Accounting and Financial Studies	1096-3685		Does not meet quality threshold. Charges exorbitant article processing fee.	Remove

Indian Journal of Finance and Banking	Centre for Research on Islamic Banking & Finance and Business (CRIBFB)	2574-6081	2574-609X	Does not meet quality threshold.	Remove
International Journal of Accounting & Finance Review	CRIBFB	2576-1285	2576-1293	Does not meet quality threshold.	Remove
Journal of Accounting and Finance	North American Business Press	2158-3625		Journal does not meet quality threshold for inclusion.	Do not add

Business and Taxation Law

No substantive changes recommended

Economics and Statistics

Title	Publisher	ISSN	e-ISSN	Panel comment	Proposed action
Applied Economic Analysis	Emerald Publishing	2632-7627		The journal is clearly Applied Economics and has sufficient quality, metrics, and editorial board to initially list as B.	Add as B in 3801
Chilean Journal of Statistics	Chilean Statistical Society	0718-7912	0718-7920	The journal is clearly of quality to be ranked. However, the limited impact in terms of metrics suggests it should initially be rated C and then adjusted as new information comes in.	Add as C in 4905

Economic Policy / Ekonomicheskaya Politika	ANO Editorial Office of the Journal "Economic Policy"	1994-5124	2411-2658	The journal publishes Economics content in both Russian and English. The quality is consistent with the metrics, which suggest it should be rated C.	Add as C in 3801
Evaluation Review	SAGE Journals	0193-841X	1552-3926		Refer to Management list
Foreign Trade Review	SAGE Journals	0015-7325	0971-7625	The journal is multidisciplinary in business, but primarily Economics. The editorial board, recent article quality, and available metrics support adding as a B.	Add as B in 3801
IEEE Transactions on Power Systems	Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers	1558-0679	0885-8950	Not a business or economics journal. Nominator notes SJR score, but SJR makes clear it is an Engineering journal. No evidence of economists on Editorial Board.	Do not add
Journal of Asian Business and Economic Studies	Emerald Publishing	2515-964X		The journal is multidisciplinary in business, but primarily Economics. The editorial board, recent article quality, and available metrics support adding as a B.	Add as B in 3801
Journal of Business Thought	Sri Guru Gobind Singh College of Commerce	2581-8104	2231-1734	This journal is interdisciplinary and has mostly business and economics content. It varies by issue whether it should be classified as Economics, Finance, or Management. However, there is enough Economics content and substantive Economics representation on the Editorial Board to justify inclusion in Economics. The Economics is more Applied Economics. The journal is peer reviewed and of sufficient quality to be listed, but the	Add as C in 3801

				quality is comparable to other C journals. It should be rated as C in Applied Economics.	
Journal of Economics, Theology and Religion	Erasmus University Rotterdam	2772-9001		The journal is primarily Economics content and the editorial board and initial articles suggest it will be a relevant outlet for research on the economics of religion. The content touches on different elements of Applied Economics (Economic History, Labour Economics) and it fits best with 380199 (Applied economics not elsewhere classified).	Add as B in 3801
Millennial Asia: An International Journal of Asian Studies	SAGE Journals	0976-3996	2321-7081	The journal is multidisciplinary with substantive Economics content. The quality of articles and available metrics support adding as C and waiting to see if metrics improve to change rating.	Add as C in 3801
SocioEconomic Challenges	Sumy State University	2520-6621	2520-6214	This journal is interdisciplinary, but most linked to Economics and has substantive business content. The editorial board and quality of articles means it should be rated, but initially C as the quality looks like it may have relatively low impact. The articles look mostly applied (in Health Economics, Labour Economics, and Macroeconomics, amongst others) and not obviously linked to categories in 3899. Thus, it is a general journal and should be 3801.	Add as C in 3801

Finance including Actuarial Studies

Title	Publisher	ISSN	e-ISSN	Panel comment	Proposed change
Australian Finance & Banking Review	CRIBFB	2576-1196	2576-120X	The journal does not meet the quality threshold required to be considered a quality peer-reviewed journal. In general, no citation data or any other supporting documents are provided with the submission.	Do not add
Journal of Asian Business and Economic Studies	Emerald Publishing	2515-964X		This appears to be a peer-reviewed journal with many attributes of a quality publication, such as reputable publisher, long history of publication, quality editorial board, and low acceptance rate. However, there is no obvious link between this journal and the field of finance.	Do not add Refer to Economics list

Information Systems

Title	Publisher	ISSN	e-ISSN	Panel comment	Proposed action
Foundations and Trends in Information Systems	Now Publishers	2331-1231	2331-124X	This is a book and not a journal. Volumes of this book are published on a regular basis. Considering that this is not a regular journal, the panel does support adding the title to the list.	Do not add
Government Information Quarterly	Elsevier	0740-624X		Considering the aims, focus, editorial board, topics published and various citation metrics for this journal and agree that this journal is relevant to Information Systems and can be	Add as A in 4609

				added. In terms of ranking, the panel supports A ranking as evaluated by ACPHIS.	
Journal of Innovation & Knowledge	Elsevier	2444-569X		The focus and scope of this journal do not mention Information Systems. In the panel's opinion this journal is not related to Information Systems.	Do not add Refer to Management list

Management

Title	Publisher	ISSN	e-ISSN	Panel comment	Proposed action
Australian Journal of Communication	University of Queensland	0811-6202	0811-6202	Journal is inactive	Remove
Australian Social Monitor	The University of Melbourne	1440-4842		Journal is inactive	Remove
Big Data & Society	SAGE Journals	2053-9517		Does not meet substantive business element test	Do not add
Big Data Research	Elsevier	2214-5796		Does not meet substantive business element test	Do not add
Business Ethics and Leadership	Sumy State University	2520-6761	2520-6311	Does not meet quality threshold for inclusion	Do not add
Chartered Institute of Building: Construction Information Quarterly	Chartered Institute of Building	1469-4891		Journal is inactive	Remove

Colombo Business Journal: International Journal of Theory & Practice	Faculty of Management & Finance of the University of Colombo	2579-2210		Insufficient evidence of quality indicators required for inclusion	Do not add
Compensation and Benefits Review	SAGE Journals	0886-3687	1552-3837	Insufficient evidence of quality indicators required for inclusion	Do not add
Energy Research & Social Science	Elsevier	2214-6296		Does not meet substantive business element test	Do not add
Energy: The International Journal	Elsevier	0360-5442		Does not meet substantive business element test	Do not add
European Journal of International Management	Inderscience	1751-6757	1751-6765	Meets criteria for inclusion as a C- ranked journal	Add as C in 3507
European Journal of Management Studies	Emerald	2183-4172	2635-2648	Meets criteria for inclusion as a C- ranked journal	Add as C in 3507
Evaluation Review	SAGE Journals	0193-841X	1552-3926	Meets criteria for inclusion as an A- ranked journal	Add as A in 3599
FIIB Business Review	SAGE Journals	2319-7145	2455-2658	Insufficient evidence of quality indicators required for inclusion	Do not add
Global Business and Organizational Excellence	Wiley	1932-2062		Does not meet quality threshold for inclusion	Do not add
Global Journal of Business Disciplines	Institute for Global Business Research	2574-0369	2574-0377	Does not meet quality threshold for inclusion	Do not add

Global Journal of Business Pedagogy	Institute for Global Business Research	2574-0385	2574-0393	Does not meet quality threshold for inclusion	Do not add
Global Journal of Entrepreneurship	Institute for Global Business Research	2574-0415	2574-0423	Does not meet quality threshold for inclusion	Do not add
Global Journal of Flexible Systems Management	Springer Nature	0972-2696	0974-0198	Meets criteria for inclusion as an A-ranked journal	Add as A in 3507
Global Journal of Management and Marketing	Institute for Global Business Research	2574-044X	2574-0458	Does not meet quality threshold for inclusion	Do not add
Higher Education Research and Development	Taylor and Francis	0729-4360	1469-8366	Does not meet substantive business element test	Do not add
IIMS Journal of Management Science	Indian Institute of Management Shillong, Meghalaya, India	0976-030X	0976-173X	Insufficient evidence of quality indicators required for inclusion	Do not add
International Employment Relations Review	International Employment Relations Association	1324-1125	1324-1125	Journal is inactive	Remove
International Journal of Climate Change Strategies and Management	Emerald Publishing	1756-8692		Does not meet substantive business element test	Do not add
International Journal of Lean Six Sigma	Emerald Publishing	2040-4166		Meets criteria for inclusion as a B-ranked journal	Add as B in 3507

International Journal of Management and Systems	Technocrat Publications Centre, New Delhi	0970-7328		Journal is inactive	Remove
International Journal of Management Perspectives	International Business & Tourism Society	1307-1629		Journal is inactive	Remove
International Journal of Organizational Innovation (IJOI)	The International Association of Organizational Innovation (IAOI)	1943-1813		Does not meet quality threshold for inclusion	Do not add
International Journal of Quality and Innovation	Inderscience	1756-6975	1756-6983	Insufficient evidence of quality indicators required for inclusion	Do not add
International Review of Industrial and Organizational Psychology	Wiley-Blackwell Publishing			Publication is inactive and a book not a journal	Remove
IT and Society: An Online Journal	Taylor & Francis Online			Journal is inactive	Remove
Journal of Asian Business	University of Michigan	1068-0055	1068-0055	Journal is inactive	Remove
Journal of Asian Business and Economic Studies	Emerald Publishing	2515-964X			Refer to Economics list
Journal of Big Data	Springer		2196-1115	Does not meet substantive business element test	Do not add

Journal of Business Diversity	North American Business Press	2158-3899		Insufficient evidence of quality indicators required for inclusion	Do not add
Journal of Contemporary Administration / RAC. Revista de Administração Contemporânea	ANPAD — Associação Nacional de Pós Graduação e Pesquisa em Administração	1415-6555	1982-7849	Insufficient evidence of quality indicators required for inclusion	Do not add
Journal of Enterprising Culture	World Scientific	0218-4958	1793-6330	Insufficient evidence of quality indicators required for inclusion	Do not add
Journal of Higher Education Theory & Practice	North American Business Press	2158-3595		Does not meet substantive business element test	Do not add
Journal of Innovation & Knowledge	Elsevier	2444-569X		Meets criteria for inclusion as an A-ranked journal	Add as A in 3507
Journal of International Business Policy	Palgrave Macmillan	2522-0691	2522-0705	Insufficient evidence of quality indicators required for inclusion	Do not add
Journal of Management Systems	Association of Management	1041-2808		Journal is inactive	Remove
Journal of Organisational Transformation and Social Change	Taylor & Francis Online	1477-9633	2040-056X	Journal is inactive	Remove
Journal of Personnel Psychology	Hogrefe Publishing	1866-5888	2190-5150	Meets criteria for inclusion as a B-ranked journal	Add as B in 3505

Journal on Information Technology in Healthcare	Optimum, Surrey, UK		1479-649X	Journal is inactive	Remove
Journal of Work-Applied Management	Emerald Publishing	2205-2062		Insufficient evidence of quality indicators required for inclusion	Do not add
Just Labor	York University	1705-1436	1705-1436	Journal is inactive	Remove
Management Review Quarterly	Springer	2198-1620	2198-1639	Meets criteria for inclusion as a B-ranked journal	Add as B in 3507
Management Teaching Review	SAGE Journals	2379-2981	2379-2981	Does not meet quality threshold for inclusion	Do not add
Manager	Industry Qualifications	1746-1278		Journal is inactive	Remove
Maritime Business Review	Emerald Publishing	2397-3757	2397-3765	Meets criteria for inclusion as a C-ranked journal	Add as C in 3509
New Zealand Journal of Employment Relations	ER Publishing Ltd.	1176-4716	1179-2965	No evidence of the journal being predatory (or inactive) was found, but the journal may wish to address concerns about the representativeness of the editorial board, editorial team, and authors before the next review.	No action
Personnel Assessment and Decisions	International Personnel Assessment Council (IPAC)	2377-8822		Insufficient evidence of quality indicators required for inclusion	Do not add

Production and Inventory Management Journal	American Production & Inventory Control Society, Inc.	0897-8336	0897-8336	Journal is inactive	Remove
PSU Research Review: An International Interdisciplinary Journal	Emerald Publishing	2399-1747	2398-4007	Insufficient evidence of quality indicators required for inclusion	Do not add
Quality Assurance in Education	Emerald Publishing	0968-4883	1758-7662	Does not meet substantive business element test	Do not add
Quarterly Journal of Electronic Commerce	Information Age Pub.	1528-3526	1528-3526	Journal is inactive	Remove
South Asian Journal of Business and Management Cases	SAGE Journals	2277-9779	2321-0303	Does not meet quality threshold for inclusion	Do not add
Training and Management Development Methods	Emerald Publishing	0951-3507	0951-3507	Journal is inactive	Remove

Marketing and tourism

Title	Publisher	ISSN	e-ISSN	Panel comment	Proposed action
Global Journal of Management and Marketing	Institute for Global Business Research	2574-044X	2574-0458	Does not meet quality threshold for inclusion	Do not add
International Journal of Consumer Studies	Wiley-Blackwell Publishing	1470-6423	1470-6431	Insufficient grounds regarding predatory journal indicators to remove.	No action

New Zealand Journal of Employment Relations	ER Publishing Ltd	1176-4716	1179-2965	Insufficient grounds regarding predatory journal indicators to remove.	No action
Service Industries Journal	Taylor & Francis Online	0264-2069	1743-9507	Insufficient grounds regarding predatory journal indicators to remove.	No action
Spanish Journal of Marketing	Emerald Publishing	2444-9709		Meets criteria for inclusion as a B-ranked journal	Add as B in 3506