

Annual Postgraduate Education Research Conference

Transforming education beyond borders: Postgraduate student voices

15 - 17 April 2026 Mauritius

jointly organised by the Higher Studies Cell and the Research Unit Mauritius Institute of Education

CALL FOR PAPERS





A Message from the Guest Editors

Dear postgraduate scholars and students,

We are delighted to invite you to the Postgraduate Education Research Conference, titled 'Transforming Education Beyond Borders: Postgraduate student voices'. This event is dedicated exclusively to emerging scholars and students whose research paves the way to reshaping educational landscapes.

The conference offers a unique dual pathway: the opportunity to present an abstract from your dissertation/ thesis or ongoing research to a global community of peers and experts, and the subsequent chance to refine your work for publication in the *Journal of Education*, *MIE*.

Pre-conference workshops will be organised to support you both to prepare for the conference presentation, and to get your article ready for publication. As guest editors, we will also assist you throughout this process.

Below you will find more information about the conference as well as abstract and paper submission guidelines.

We look forward to receiving your abstracts, welcoming you at the April 2026 conference, and supporting you to publish your work.

Conference Rationale

Postgraduate educational research represents more than academic achievement – it embodies the potential for transformative change. Yet, too often, the rich insights generated through master's and doctoral studies remain confined to individual dissertations rather than contributing to broader educational discourse and systemic improvement.

This conference seeks to bridge this gap by showcasing and celebrating the scholarly contributions of the postgraduate student community from the MIE and its partners. By foregrounding the voices of emerging scholars, this conference aims to democratise knowledge production and highlight diverse epistemologies. The conference provides a platform to vibrantly showcase how postgraduate research can actively shape the future of education across the global South and beyond.

Themes

We welcome abstract and paper submissions that align with, but are not limited to the following themes within the scope of 'Transforming education beyond borders: Postgraduate student voices':

- Research insights beyond borders
- Methodological innovations
- From knowledge to action: Advocacy and policy change

Submission Guidelines

1. Conference Presentation

- Submit a 300 to 500-word abstract outlining your presentation. Clearly indicate the theme your presentation addresses.
- Submit your details and abstract through the Google form below: https://forms.office.com/r/q81y59FJYT

2. Publication in the Special Issue of the Journal of Education, MIE

Following successful presentation at the conference, presenters will be invited to submit a full manuscript for the special issue in the *Journal of Education*, *MIE*.

- **Initial Submission:** Please submit your complete manuscript to the Guest Editors via email at: **higherstudies@mie.ac.mu**
- **Manuscript Developmental Support:** The Guest Editors will conduct an initial review and work closely with you to provide guidance and support in strengthening your paper for formal submission.
- **Journal Submission:** Once the manuscript is validated by the Guest Editors, you will be requested to submit the final version through the *Journal of Education*'s online portal.
- **Final Submission:** The final submission will be done via Manuscript Manager. You will use the link below to sign up and thereafter follow the steps to submit your paper. Link: https://tinyurl.com/2b7fvnpd

Following the submission, your paper will then be subject to the journal's rigorous double-blind peer-review process. You will be notified of the outcome by the editors of the *Journal of Education*, *MIE*.

Manuscript Types

- Original research/Empirical research articles (3,000 8,000 words)
- Theoretical/conceptual articles (5,000 8,000 words)
- Review articles (5,000 9,000 words)
- Methodology articles (3,000 6,000 words)

Timeline

Milestone	Date
Call for Abstract Opens	03 October 2025
Abstract Submission Deadline	21 November 2025
Abstract Acceptance Notification	30 January 2026
Postgraduate Education Research Conference, MIE	15-17 April 2026
Full Paper Due	15 May 2026
Revision notifications to authors	15 July 2026
Revised Papers Due	17 August 2026
Target Publication Date	November 2026

Conference Mode

On-site

Venue: Mauritius Institute of Education (MIE), Réduit Campus, Mauritius

Online

Arrangements to present online will be made only for international participants who are not able to join on-site.

Contact Information

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