INSTRUCTIONS FOR GUEST EDITORS OF SPECIAL ISSUES OR SPECIAL SECTIONS

1. *Studies in Religion / Sciences Religieuses* allows for the annual publication of two Special Issues or Special Sections.

- Both may contain articles in English and French.

- A Special Section contains 4 or 5 articles (8,000 to 10,000 words/text). It will be published in an issue including off-theme articles.

- A Special Issue contains 6 to 8 articles (8,000 to 10,000 words/text). Any issue of more than 75,000 words will automatically be refused, in order to respect the length of SR issues (approx. 80,000 words) and the integration of reviews.

2. Guest Editors of Special Issues or Special Sections are in charge of the texts until they are sent for evaluation, and must:

  - Provide the journal with a first version of the texts ready for evaluation. These texts must, in other words, have been read beforehand, in particular to ensure their scientific and linguistic quality. The journal’s Editors-in-Chief reserve the right to ask for a proofreading before sending them to the evaluators to ensure that the texts comply with the journal’s editorial guidelines and requirements (see manuscript submission guidelines).

  - Submit a list of 2 to 3 reviewers with email contact information for each article. The journal may draw from this list, if necessary.

  - Submit a short presentation of the Special Issue or Special Section of 1750 to 2250 words.

3. Once the evaluations are received, one of the Editors-in-Chief will forward them to the invited authors and Guest Editors, and contact them for further action.

Several scenarios are possible:

  - In the case of favorable opinions (text accepted without changes or with minor revisions), the evaluations are sent directly by the journal to the authors for the production of a second version.

  - In the case of contrasting opinions, the journal reserves the possibility of seeking the opinion of one or more member(s) or associate(s) of its editorial boards. If deemed necessary, the journal may also solicit a third review.

  - When requests for corrections are considered major, Guest Editors undertake to assist the author(s) in the revision process.
4. Once the final versions have been received for publication, the journal’s Editors-in-Chief reserve the right to request changes if the editorial qualities of a paper appear to be inconsistent with the requirements of SR or SAGE.

- Final articles (completed and approved articles awaiting assignment to a future issue) appear in free access via On-Line First prior to their inclusion in a journal issue.

- Then, the Special Issue or Special Section appears in print, in the order of their complete and final completion.