The Launch of “Advanced Journal of Graduate Research”
A new journal dedicated to Bachelor/Master degree students

Advanced Journal of Graduate Research (AJGR) is Published by “AIJR (India): an online open access journal publisher”. This journal has been established to enable a wide academic community to access important and exciting research carried out by university students. AJGR aims to disseminate research activity undertaken by Bachelor and Master program students as a part of their dissertation/project report. This initiative will help university students to embed globally in the research cultures of their disciplines with the potential to benefit both students and the wider academic community.

For a university student, participation in the research project grants prestige, offers access to new skills and knowledge, and can be important to building a professional network. To improve the chances of postgraduate success, a research project should train a student to be a researcher. One of the key markers of academic success is the production of peer-reviewed publications; whether in edited books, journals or magazines. For many university students, a successful publication might be the peak achievement from a research project. A successful article is not just published – it is used by peers and incorporated into community discussion, used as reference material, citation by academic and postgraduate authors for research articles; citation for undergraduate coursework. The published output of graduate researchers as peer-reviewed articles will boost student’s abilities to think, behave and produce like professional researchers. Advanced Journal of Graduate Research will be an addition to a growing number of college student’s publications for the research carried out by the Bachelor/ Master degree students around the world.

Such graduate research journals have a long way to go to achieve the level of credibility required to make an impact on academia. In addition to having little academic impact, many undergraduate research journals fall by the wayside due to a lack of submissions, or support from faculty members. If we want to be consistent with our initiatives in improving undergraduate education and to recognize the authentic success of those undergraduates who have actively participated in the research experiences, we should support peer-reviewed journals serving the graduate/undergraduate community. Thousands of undergraduates engage in research through independent study projects, senior theses, and summer research programs, but only few of them can disseminate their work globally due to lack of such international journals. University students are capable of contributing original research as such papers occasionally find their way into traditional journals sometimes published in collaboration with academic staff. Occasionally, students are listed as co-authors of articles in traditional journals, but typically they are credited for their work in the acknowledgments.
The first challenge for the editorial team will be achieving the status required to make a discernible impact on academia. Every suitable manuscript submitted to AJGR will undergo a peer review process. The peer review will be completed by the recognized reviewers in the field of interest. This protocol will ensure that articles included in this journal are of a comparable standard to those published in traditional journals. AJGR will suggest its peer reviewers that they provide more comprehensive and constructive feedback than they do when reviewing for traditional scholarly journals. Published article will clearly indicate student’s academic history, which will be additional benefit for students to publish in AJGR than traditional journal. Recently, rise of undergraduate research resulted large number of academic journals devoted to publishing research work of university Bachelor/Master degree students. Most of these journals are multi-disciplinary and closely-tied to some institution. Only few journals available which accept papers from students all over world, whatever their university. Advanced Journal of Graduate Research (AJGR) aims to be an international journal publishing research work carried out by Bachelor/Master program students related to science and technology discipline from all over the world. We welcome your submissions and your participation in Advanced Journal of Graduate Research and hope you will enjoy the diverse intellectual perspectives, innovative methods, and exciting findings presented in this first issue of AJGR. Advanced Journal of Graduate Research looks forward to bringing its readers many more excellent publications in future Issues.

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