



## **CALL FOR PAPER: SPECIAL ISSUE OF SEMIOTICS**

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### **A Semiotic Perspective on Contemporary Narrative Discourse and Narration Styles**

Whether written or spoken, how people recount a situation about themselves or someone else can differ. Not only could the narration be informative but also implicit, allusive, insinuating, and implicative. It is no doubt possible to suggest many other ways of narration. We can even observe communication forms based on narration today; that is, presenting a case employing fictionalized narrative gradually gets more common. In earlier times, fictionalizing was regarded as non-factual and unbound with the real world, just as novels and stories did. Recently, however, many disciplines have used such fictionalized narration.

This shift may be justifiable because the referents of new sorts of narratives are not directed to themselves (like literary texts) but to the real world. For instance, current advertisements are presented in new narrative styles comprising real-world phenomena, giving them another dimension other than merely fictional. Moreover, a doctor may ask his colleague about a patient's background story, which indicates his willingness to learn about the disease in a given context. Alternatively, a politician's speech named "what kind of a future do I imagine?" is typical of a futuristic narrative. We may increase the number of instances.

In this special issue of NALANS engaged in semiotics, we would like to gather studies that evaluate narratives. Among the questions central to this issue are, respectively, "what possible insight can be obtained from semiotic analysis of fictional and factual narratives?" and "whether the insight gathered from them will be compatible with those of others that have arisen from other approaches to narrative analysis." It is known for sure that literary semiotics has developed with seminal studies. We have, however, witnessed semiotics continue to develop into the examination of other different disciplines with its tools of analysis. For example, we can suggest discourse semiotics that analyzes fictional and factual narratives and other types of discourse.

We expect contributions of authors that will present the semiotic analysis of literary and other types of narratives. The issue's scope is not limited. Additionally, answers will be sought to the question "what are characteristic narrative features of a novel, children's plain narratives, advertisements,

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touristic documents, political discourse or mythological narratives?” and “what kind of results can be obtained from their analysis utilizing semiotic approaches?”. The participants are expected to search for the above topics and fulfill semiotic analyses of different discourse types. We invite all the researchers that will perform studies to the journal's special issue of semiotics.

We invite submissions in the form of abstracts of approximately 300 words to be submitted to [nalansproduction@gmail.com](mailto:nalansproduction@gmail.com) no later than 15 February 2023. After an initial review of abstracts by the editors of the special issue, selected authors will be invited to contribute full-length (6.000-7.000 words) original research articles written according to APA 7th edition and adhering to standard NALANS guidelines for authors, which can be found here: <https://www.nalans.com/index.php/nalans/about/submissions>

The editors have invited distinguished scholars from the field and received quality proposals from prestigious authors. The issue is expected to come out by June 2023.

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