

READING AND WRITING JOURNAL WRITING FOR PUBLICATION

2026 Pre-conference Workshop

1 - 3 SEPTEMBER 2026, WITS - JOHANNESBURG

LITASA invites you to apply for the Writing for Publication preconference workshop, hosted with the **Reading & Writing Journal's** Editor-in-Chief, Prof. Janet Condry, in the three days before the annual conference. It is aimed at postgraduate students and early-career researchers who have an accepted conference abstract and want to develop it into a journal article.

WHO SHOULD APPLY?

- All applicants must have an abstract accepted for LITASA 2026 and must be registered for the conference.
- Anyone meeting that requirement may apply, though note that postgraduate students and early-career researchers are given preference.
- Places are capped and, within that preference, allocated on a first-come basis, so early application is advisable.

COSTS:

The workshop is **fully sponsored** by the National Research Foundation through its Knowledge, Interchange and Collaboration (KIC) grant, **which covers the programme, tea and lunch on all three days. Accommodation, transport and the LITASA 2026 Conference registration fees are not covered and remain the responsibility of participants.**

WHAT WE ASK IN RETURN

Participants undertake to submit the article they develop to the **Reading & Writing special edition, "Reading the Future, Ukufunda Ikusasa, Ho Bala Bokamoso: Literacies for Transformative Education"**, by January 2027. Submission does not guarantee acceptance: all articles go through the journal's usual peer-review process. Please read the submission guidelines before the workshop: <https://rw.org.za/index.php/rw/pages/view/submission-guidelines>

HOW TO APPLY:

Complete the form on page 2 and return it to Prof. Ilse Fouche at ilse.fouche@wits.ac.za by **Friday 7 August 2026 at the latest**. Bring your own laptop, your data or preliminary findings if you have them, and the sources you intend to work with.

IMPORTANT DATES:

- 7 August 2026: **Applications close**
- 11 August 2026: **Outcome communicated to applicants**
- 1-3 September 2026: **Writing for Publication workshop, 8:00 – 16:00 Daily**
- 4 – 6 September 2026: **21st Annual LITASA Conference**
- January 2027: **Full articles due for the Reading & Writing special edition**





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