Submitting a Proposal

Anthem Press evaluates a proposal on the basis of an outline, a sample chapter or an entire manuscript, along with the information provided by the author on the New Project Proposal Form. Anthem Press provides evaluation of proposals generally within one month. The work will undergo and must pass peer review. If the proposal is accepted, Anthem Press will offer a contract and determine, in consultation with the author, the title of the contracted book project.

New Book Proposal Form

New Series Proposal Form

Manuscript Submission

We ask you to submit material to us by certain dates set in your contract. The work submitted should be as complete as possible and in strict accordance with the submission guidelines included in the Anthem Style Guide. All accompanying material (i.e., figures, images, etc.) will need to be submitted in the correct format, and all necessary permissions for the use of copyright material obtained. Authors will be asked to complete a marketing questionnaire. Visit our Author Resources page for more details.

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If the full manuscript has not yet undergone the external peer review process, it will do so at this stage, typically completed within 2 months. To help expedite the process of securing reviewers, the press may request you supply a list of potential readers. Once the manuscript passes the review process, any required revisions and final delivery dates are to be agreed upon with your Anthem editor. An Anthem editor will review your final manuscript and pass it to production once approved.

The Production Process

COPYEDITING: Our editorial team will evaluate the final manuscript to ensure that it has been copyedited to the highest standard. If further revision is necessary, we may require the authors to copyedit the manuscript using an independent professional in line with Anthem feedback, or we may arrange for a professional copyedit on the authors' behalf.

TYPESETTING: Once a final, clean 'camera-ready' manuscript is prepared, the electronic files are sent to our typesetting team, who will set the text to 'book' form and generate the first text proofs. The typeset first proofs are then sent to the Anthem editorial team. The typesetting process takes approximately 3 weeks, but may vary according to length and complexity of the manuscript.

PROOFREADING: The typeset first proofs are sent to the author electronically as a PDF, along with instructions on how to submit corrections. Corrections to the proofs should be minor – authors should not rewrite or make substantial additions. The editorial team will then review the proof corrections in-house before sending them to the typesetter for implementation.

INDEXING: Once the revised and final text proofs are prepared, the author should then use the final text proofs to prepare an index if they have been contracted to do so.

PRINTING: The final text and cover proofs will undergo a thorough editorial review before they are accepted and sent to print.

The Publishing Schedule

The printed book is delivered approximately 6 to 7 months after the manuscript is submitted to the Anthem editorial team.

Review Process: up to two months

Copyediting: approximately one month

Typesetting: two to four weeks, depending on the complexity of the project (please consult with your production

editor)

Proofreading: approximately one month

Indexing: approximately two weeks

Printing: two to eight weeks, depending on the complexity of the project (please consult with your production editor)