**Aspects to Consider in an Article Submitted to JSEALS**

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**Quality of Writing**

* Clear and consistent goal/argument
* Logical and clear organization of ideas
* Clear and natural expression
* Accurate grammar

**The Abstract**

* Conciseness (about 100 to 200 words, general summary, no specific details)
* Logically addresses main purpose and parts of the paper

**Specific Research issues**

* Relation of the study to previous discussion in the field / literature review
* Research methodology and analytical framework
* Quality and/or representativeness of data
* Quality of data analysis
* Presentation of data analysis
* Discussion of limitations of the study

**Overall Research Quality**

* Significance to Southeast Asian linguistic research
* Significance to relevant sub-field/fields
* Logical conclusion(s) reached