

Editorial

Revista História: Debates and Trends - a retrospective analysis and perspectives for the future

This editorial intends to carry out an analysis of the Journal History: Debates and Trends (HDT) between 2013 and 2017, to outline the strengths and weaknesses of the journal and to indicate the steps to be taken from this volume, establishing the present edition as a framework of a change in the journal in order to reaffirm the role of the Journal as a publication of excellence in scientific dissemination.

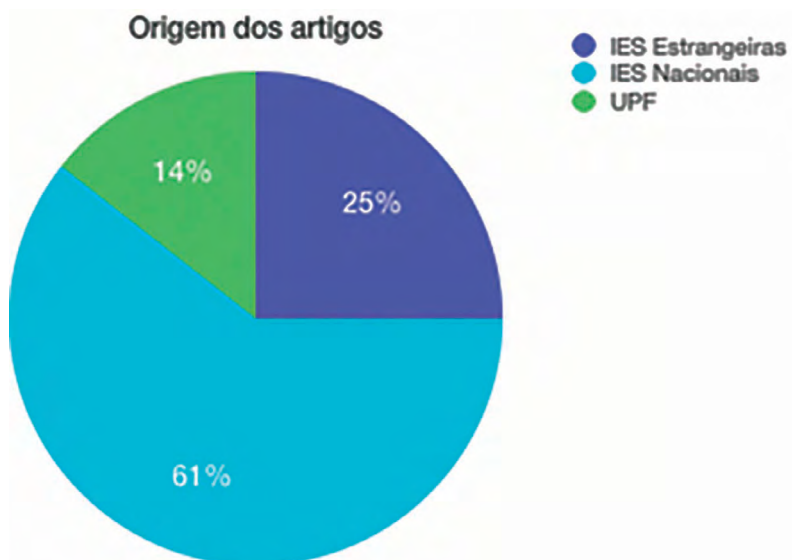
The Journal History: Debates and Trends is a journal focused on the area of historical knowledge maintained by the University of Passo Fundo and linked to the Postgraduate Program in History (PPGH). The University of Passo Fundo is a non-profit community institution that celebrates its 50th anniversary this year and is recognized for its excellence in teaching, research and extension and in its deep connection to the community.

The Postgraduate Program in History, with a History, Region and Frontiers area, began its activities in 1998 with the Master's degree, starting to train researchers at the Doctoral level from 2014.

HDT was founded in 1999 and aimed to disseminate the Program and the research developed by its teachers, as well as other collaborators. In a process of continuous improvement, considering the coordinates of the area for the qualification of the journals, its scientific performance was improved by adopting thematic dossiers open to the sending of articles by researchers from the Human and Social Sciences areas, linked to higher education institutions and to research centers in the country and abroad. Along with thematic dossiers, the journal currently maintains the sections of free articles, reviews and interviews. Initially published in the printed version, from 2007 the magazine adopted the Electronic System for the Publishing of Magazines (SEER), also maintaining the printed version. From v. 6, n. 1/2006, the full texts were available on the website of the Graduate Program in History and in 2010, they were published in the Electronic Journaling System (SEER).

In a survey that covers the period 2013-2016, we published 104 articles, divided into 8 editions, highlighting a large percentage of authors from various institutions in Brazil and abroad.

Figura 1: Origin of articles by institution



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The percentage of foreign authors who have published in the journal indicate for an internationalization bias of the journal. The table below shows the origin of foreign authors.

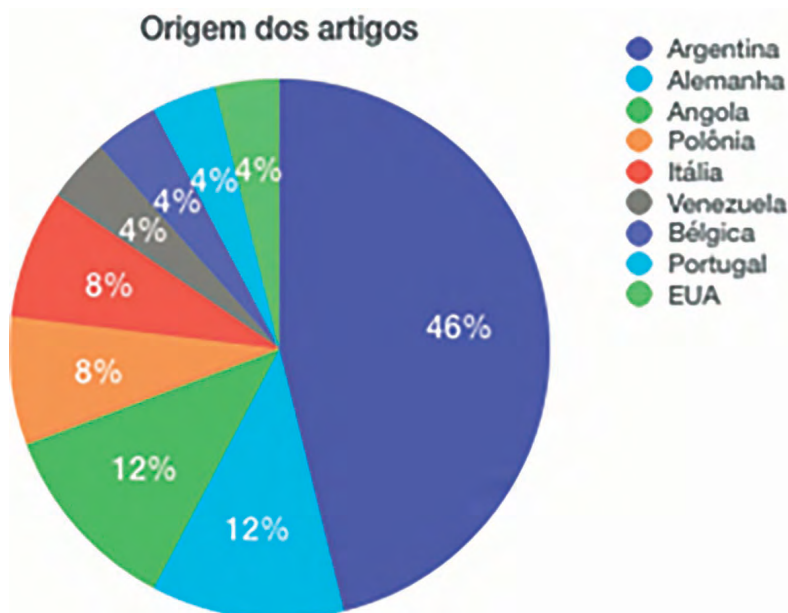
Quadro 1: Origem dos autores estrangeiros

Origem	Quantidade
Argentina	12
Alemanha	3
Angola	3
Polônia	2
Itália	2
Venezuela	1
Bélgica	1
Portugal	1
EUA	1

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These figures are expressed as percentages in the following graph:

Figura 2: Origin of articles by country



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These percentages demonstrate the diversity of regions of origin of the researchers who published in HDT, spanning South America, Europe and Africa. With emphasis on authors from Argentina, whose academic interface with the Program is consolidated, there is also a movement in relation to other continents, whose tendency is to increase as the Program establishes educational flows and students and research networks in these locations.

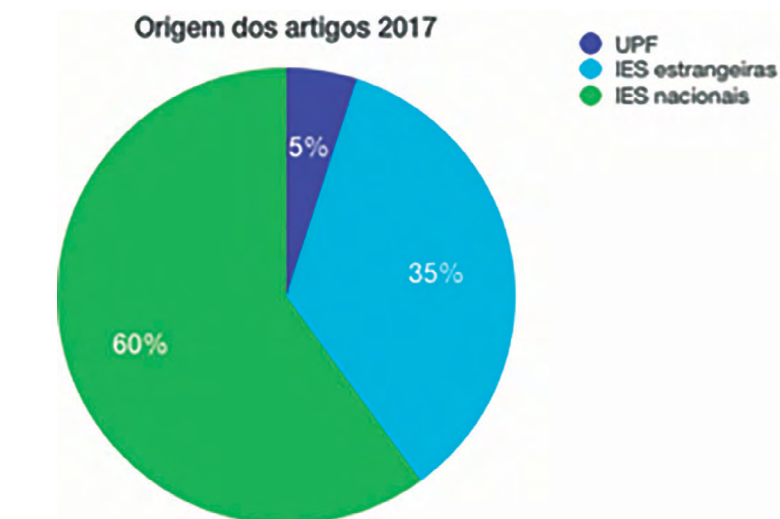
In relation to indexers, it is possible to perceive an advance in the sense of corresponding to the indicators of quality of the Area. During the quadrennium the HDT was indexed in the Diadorin Summaries databases (IBICT) and The History Journals Guide, in the LivRe and Latindex directories and in the Capes Journal Portal. Following efforts in 2017 HDT is now also in the DOAJ (Directory of Open Access Journals), Google Scholar and Dialnet, and is also in the process of being included in Redalyc, which is expected to be completed in 2018.

In a process of constant qualification and taking into account the observations of the Committee of Periodicals of Capes for the History Area, the magazine refined some guidelines for the authors, among them the requirement of Doctor's degree for the collaborators. It also established the restriction on the number of articles / number of teachers of the Program and the minimum interval of 3 years for the same author to publish.

With these adjustments and adaptations, two issues were published in 2017 (see paragraphs 1 and 2), each composed of 10 articles between the dossier and free articles. Of the 20 articles published, 7 are from researchers from foreign institutions, 12 from researchers from

other national institutions only 1 comes from UPF faculty surveys, resulting in the graph below in percentages:

Figura 3: Origin of articles by institution in 2017



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The total participation of authors of other national and international HEIs in a percentage of 95% is a goal to be observed and maintained.

The continuous process of self-evaluation and consideration of external evaluation indicators led the Journal to rethink its periodicity, from volume 18 no. 1 to being quarterly, with issues in the months of January, May and September.

The change in the periodicity of the Journal is aimed at promoting a faster publication of the articles received and contributing even more to the scientific dissemination of research in History and related areas, acting in the same pattern as other publications of high impact in the area, both national and international .

Thus, we can finally state that the Journal History: Debates and Trends, begins with this issue a new moment in its trajectory in which the indicators of qualification will be strictly observed in order to ensure a prominent place for the publications of its collaborators .

We thank all those who have done, made and will be part of our history.

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