

Dear Colleague,

I hope this finds you well.

I am glad to announce a call for paper contributions to a Special Issue entitled “Seismic performance of Non-Structural Elements and Systems” to be published in the Journal of Earthquake Engineering (JEE). The journal is now open for submissions to the Special Issue; please, find the link to further information here: <https://bit.ly/UEQE1>. Guest editors for the special issue are Prof. Keri Ryan (University of Nevada, Reno) and myself.

The objective of the Special Issue is to present current research and state-of-the-art on seismic design, simulation, and response evaluation of non-structural elements and systems (NSEs and NSSs). Papers may focus on design, detailing, and assessment of individual classes of components, or on generalized performance-based design and loss estimation procedures, component demands, characterization or qualification testing, and associated formalized code procedures.

The topics of interest include but are not limited to the following ones:

- simulation and analysis to assess demands to NSEs and NSSs;
- studies to advance fundamental knowledge of dynamic structural/nonstructural interaction;
- design, detailing, and dynamic response of individual NSEs and NSSs; Editors are especially interested in studies on low damage detailing, such as drift compatible detailing for drift sensitive components and isolation methods for acceleration sensitive components;
- advanced/finite element simulation to characterize dynamic NSE/NSS behavior;
- learning from reconnaissance (damage to NSEs and NSSs and its consequences).

The deadline for completed manuscript submission is July 1, 2024; the expected timeline for first and second review is six and three months, respectively, with a final decision reached by March 1, 2025.

For manuscript submission, please navigate and login to the *Journal of Earthquake Engineering* submission site. Please respond *Yes* when queried “Are you submitting your paper for a specific special issue or article collection”, and then select *Seismic Performance of Non-Structural Elements and Systems* under “Special Issue or Article Collection Name”. Please follow all other journal submission instructions.

To ensure that submissions fit the aims and scope of the Special Issue and are meaningful contributions to the state of knowledge on NSEs and NSSs, there will be an optional abstract submission. Therefore, authors are highly encouraged to submit an abstract for review by the guest editors prior to submission of the full manuscript. Optional abstract shall be submitted by email to [klryan@unr.edu](mailto:klryan@unr.edu) with the subject line “JEE Special Issue Abstract”, possibly not later than October 1, 2023; the abovementioned submission shall include manuscript title, list of authors with affiliations, and abstract (up to 500 words). Abstract submissions will receive advisory feedback from the guest editors no later than November 1, 2023.

Please, feel free to contact me at [gmagliul@unina.it](mailto:gmagliul@unina.it) for any information and details regarding the Special Issue.

We look forward to receiving your submissions.

Sincerely,

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