

## **New England Journal of Political Science Style Guide**

The *New England Journal of Political Science* uses the [APSA Style Manual](#). What follows is a brief description of the guidelines to assist authors in formatting their submissions properly. We encourage authors to peruse the current issue of the journal to familiarize themselves with its appearance. Please note that the title page includes the title, author, affiliation, and abstract. We use Times New Roman 12 pt. font, double spaced, with no extra space before or after paragraphs.

### **Headings**

As with the rest of the article, the headings are in Times New Roman 12 pt. font, double spaced, with no extra space before or after. Primary headings are bold and centered. Secondary headings are bold and flush left. For example, see below: “References” is a properly formatted primary heading, while “Article from a Journal, Single Author” is a properly formatted secondary heading. Note that major words are capitalized as for the title.

### **Citations**

Any information that appears in your paper and that is not your own requires citation. This includes direct quotes, as well as paraphrases of information and general ideas. In the American Political Science Association’s (APSA) parenthetical citation system, the source information is provided in the text in parentheses. Typically, the citation, which appears in parentheses right after the direct quote, paraphrase, etc., includes the last name of the author(s), year of publication, and page number. For example:

Interest groups are among the prime shapers of public policy in the United States. They contribute vast amounts of money and personnel to political campaigns” (Segal and Spaeth 1993, 240).

Endnotes are only use for information purposes.

### **References<sup>1</sup>**

The Reference section should appear at the very end of the paper, beginning on a new page. It should include complete citation information for all works cited in the body of the text, *listed in alphabetical order by author*. No items other than those specifically referenced and used in the body of the paper should appear in the works cited section. Any information that was taken from a work should be included in the Works Cited section and should also appear as a parenthetical citation. For this guide, the references have been indented—in articles for the journal, the first line should be flush left with the standard one-inch margin.

#### **Article from a Journal, Single Author**

List the author's name, last name first. The year of publication appears next, followed by the title of the article (in quotation marks) and the name of the journal (in italics). The volume number should come next, followed by the issue number (or month) in parentheses, with the page numbers of the article appearing last.

Aldrich, John H. 1980. "A Dynamic Model of Presidential Nomination Campaigns."  
*American Political Science Review* 74(September): 651-69.

#### **Article from a Journal, More Than One Author**

List the first author's name, last name first, followed by the second author's name, first name first. The year of publication appears next, followed by the title of the article (in quotation marks) and the name of the journal (in italics). The volume number should come next, followed by the issue number (or month) in parentheses, with the page numbers of the article appearing last.

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<sup>1</sup> Many of the descriptions of the types of references are taken from Paul Collins at <http://www.psci.unt.edu/~pmcollins/APSA%20Citation%20and%20Reference%20Guidelines.pdf>.

Hillerman, Anthony, and John McPhee. 1997. "A New Model of the World." *American Political Science Review* 78(September): 111-45.

### **Article from a Magazine**

List the author's name, last name first. The year of publication appears next, followed by the title of the article (in quotation marks) and the name of the magazine (in italics). The month of publication should come next, with the page numbers of the article appearing last.

Prufer, Olaf. 1964. "The Hopewell Cult." *Scientific American*, December, 13-15.

### **Article from a Newspaper**

List the author's name, last name first. The year of publication appears next, followed by the title of the article (in quotation marks) and the name of the newspaper (in italics). The month of the publication should come next, followed by the day, month, and page number or URL (with accessed date).

Cuff, Daniel F. 1985. "Forging a New Shape for Steel." *New York Times*, 26 May, 3:4.

### **Book, Single Author**

List the author's name, last name first. The year of publication appears next, followed by the title of the book (in italics). The city and state of publication should come next, followed by the name of the publisher.

Kessel, John H. 1968. *The Goldwater Coalition: Republican Strategies in 1964*.  
Indianapolis, IN: Bobbs-Merrill.

### **Book, More Than One Author**

List the first author's name, last name first, followed by the second author's name, first name first. The year of publication appears next, followed by the title of the book (in italics). The city and state of publication should come next, followed by the name of the publisher.

Sourauf, Frank J., and Paul Allen Beck. 1988. *Party Politics in America*. 6<sup>th</sup> ed.  
Glenview, IL: Scott, Foresman.

### **Chapter in an Edited Volume**

List the name of the author of the chapter, last name first. The year of publication appears next, followed by the title of the chapter (in quotation marks) and the title of the book (in italics). The name of the editor of the book appears next, followed by the city and state of publication and the name of the publisher.

Hermann, Margaret G. 1984. "Personality and Foreign Policy Decision Making: A Study of Fifty-Three Heads of Government." In *Foreign Policy Decision Making*, eds. Donald A. Sylvan and Steve Chan. New York, NY: Praeger, 43-80.

### **Legal References**

List the full case citation. The case name comes first, followed by the citation; finally, list the year the case was decided (in parenthesis).

Mapp v. Ohio, 367 U.S. 643 (1961).

### **Website**

List the author's name, last name first. The year of publication (if noted on the website) or the year of access if no year of publication is available appears next. The title of the article (in quotation marks) appears next, followed by the complete URL. The last date on which the item was accessed appears last in parentheses.

Collins, Paul M., Jr. 2005. "Data Management in Stata."

<http://www.polsci.uh.edu/pmcollins/Seminar%20on%20Data%20Management%20in%20Stata.pdf> (August 8, 2006).

- Note that **all** material appearing on the web has an “author.” If there is no particular individual listed as author, then the author is the sponsor of the website (e.g., American Civil Liberties Union).
- Likewise, all material appearing on the web has a “date of publication.” If there is no date indicated, then the date is the date of last access.
- Note, too, that print materials that are located on the web (e.g., an article from an academic journal found via JSTOR) follow the format corresponding to their original print source, not that for websites.

### **Tables and Figures**

Tables include textual data while figures can include illustrations, images, charts, or graphs. Both tables and figures have a line above and a line below. They both have descriptive titles that are identified numerically in the order that they are mentioned in the text. The title appears above tables, but below figures. The titles should be flush left with the table or figure number bold, but not the title. Both the title and the table should be single spaced.

**Table 1.** Descriptive Title of the Contents of the Table

**Figure 1.** Descriptive Title of the Contents of the Figure