

MANUSCRIPT GUIDE

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- Single-spaced text
- Times New Roman, 10-point font
- One-inch margins
- Left justification
- Single column
- Portrait orientation
- Third-person
- American Psychological Association (APA) Sixth Edition Publication Guidelines

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- Title
- Abstract
- Keywords
- Introduction
- Body of paper
- Tables and figures, placed where they belong
- Conclusion
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