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I. MANUSCRIPT PRESENTATION

In preparing their manuscripts, authors are asked to
- format their manuscripts with an unjustified right-hand margin and avoid breaks or hyphenation of words at the end of lines; use 1.5 spaces for the main text and single space for the footnotes;
- quotations of 90 words or more should be indented;
- number the pages of the manuscript consecutively throughout in the upper right-hand corner of the page;
- keep all other formatting to a minimum; this will save us a lot of time.

II. STYLE


**Spelling**

IMPORTANT: Please use the Spell Check program before submitting your final version.
- Except for quotations from original sources, American spelling will be used throughout the volume, e.g., "ize" and "ization"; "spelled," "traveled," "toward," and "among" (rather than "spelt," "travelled," "towards", and "amongst").
- All diacriticals, esp. German umlauts, are retained; however, ß should be changed to ss.

**Hyphenation**

Most compound words should not be hyphenated: coauthor, interrelated, nonviolent, postwar, and so forth, except, if the second word begins with a capital letter or a number, e.g., non-American, post-1920, anti-Semitic. An exception: hyphenate all double “e”s, e.g., re-elect.
Capitalization
There is a tendency in American publishing to discourage excessive use of capital letters in texts. Whereas proper nouns are still capitalized, many words derived from or associated with them will be lowercased. However, prepositions of 5 letters or more are capitalized in titles cited.

Titles and Offices
Civil, religious, military, and professional titles are capitalized when they immediately precede a personal name. Titles following a personal name or used alone in place of a name are usually lowercased. Examples: Abraham Lincoln, president of the United States, the president, President Abraham Lincoln; Henry Kissinger, secretary of state, the secretary, Secretary (of State) Kissinger; William II, emperor of Germany, the emperor, Emperor William II, Kaiser Wilhelm II. However, there are some exceptions, e.g., the Kaiser (Wilhelm II).

Political terms
Full names of legislative, judicial, and administrative offices, bodies, departments are usually capitalized: the Senate (U.S.), Parliament, Committee on Foreign Affairs, the Tory government. Adjectives derived from these terms and other paraphrastic designations are usually lowercased: congressional, parliamentary, the committee, state senate, city council, Illinois legislature, court of appeals. The names of political parties are capitalized (including the word "Party"): Labour Party, Social Democratic Party, Republican Party; communism, fascism, socialism, capitalism, are lowercased unless part of a proper name.

Punctuation
Superscripted footnote numbers always follow punctuation marks.

Commas
Commas should precede conjunctions joining two main clauses: The sky was blue, and the sun was shining. No comma should be used with a sentence that has only a compound predicate: He has lived in this town for forty years and has no intention of ever moving back South.
- The series comma should be used before "and" in lists of three or more items: red, white, and blue.
- That is, namely, for example, and so forth, and similar expressions should be set off by commas: He shot his grandmother, that is, his mother's mother. He consulted several of his friends, namely, Tom, Dick, and Harry.
- Do not use commas with a parenthetical dash; the dash in itself indicates a sufficient pause: The question of Reparations - one of the most divisive issues of the peace conference - was referred to a special commission.

Parentheses and Brackets
Square brackets are used for author's interpolations within quotations or uncertain data in references; brackets are also used as parentheses within parentheses. Use a colon to separate all main titles from subtitles of all books and articles cited or mentioned.

Italics
Non-English words and phrases will be italicized in the printed version and should thus be italicized in the manuscript. However, a large number of foreign words have become familiar in English and should not be italicized. Inclusion in Webster's Collegiate Dictionary is considered proof that a word has gained acceptance in American English.

Dates
The following forms should be used: nineteenth (not 19th) century; July 19, 1989 (not 19 July 1989); July 19; July 1987. Decades should be "1930s," not "1930's" or "thirties."
Periods of time denoted by a range of years should be written as follows: 1963-70 (not 1963-1970).

Numbers
Numbers under 100 should be spelled out, unless the reference is to a specific quantity (such as 80 percent, 4 mm, and so forth). Round figures over 100 should also be spelled out, e.g. 1000 should be written as one thousand, 10,000 should be written as ten thousand etc.

Foreign-Language Material
We require that all foreign-language quotations be translated into English. This includes quotations from sources as well as from secondary literature. In consultation with the editors it may be possible to include original language quotations in the footnotes.

III. DOCUMENTATION
The style of annotations is generally based on The Chicago Manual of Style (16th edition) and on house style. On its first occurrence, a full reference of a particular work should be provided. Thereafter, it should be abbreviated to author’s last name and shortened title.
The following are examples of correct entries for full citations, abbreviated citations and for the bibliography:

One author

Two or more authors

Four or more authors: list all of the authors in the bibliography; in the note, list only the first author, followed by *et al.* (“and others”):
1. Dana Barnes et al., *Plastics: Essays on American Corporate Ascendance in the 1960s* . . .
2. Barnes et al., *Plastics* . . .

Editor, translator, or compiler instead of author

Editor, translator, or compiler in addition to author

Chapter or other part of a book

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2. Rieger, introduction, xxxiii.


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2. Choi, “Contesting Imaginaires.”

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3. “Google Privacy Policy.”


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