Undergraduate and recently graduated students are welcome to submit article manuscripts and book reviews to the Ohio University Undergraduate Journal of History for publication.

**Article Submission Guidelines:**
The author must send an e-mail to ouujoh@gmail.com, including:

- Name and school
- The title of the nominated article
- The article submitted in a Microsoft Word attachment
- A one hundred-word abstract on the first page

Articles **must** conform to the following guidelines:

- Between ten and twenty-five pages in length, inclusive of footnotes
- Include footnotes and a bibliography in line with the current Chicago Manual of Style
- Double-spaced with one-inch margins in 12pt Times New Roman font

**Note** Please do NOT include your name anywhere in the document in order to preserve the anonymity of the author during the selection process.

Submissions are expected to meet high academic standards. Manuscripts must have an original thesis, be in dialogue with the relevant literature, and rely heavily on primary source material. All manuscripts will undergo a thorough review by all members of the editorial board. If deemed necessary, the board may request that the author make minor or major revisions to his or her work before being published.

**Book Review Submission Guidelines:**

Since the journal does not have a predetermined list of works to be reviewed, we ask authors to first contact the editorial staff with a prospective book to be reviewed. The editorial staff will promptly respond with the journal’s interest in a particular book. In seeking to publish reviews on recent scholarship, the journal requests that prospective reviews be on books published within three years of a given journal’s issue (for the 2013 issue we seek works published no earlier than 2010).

Reviews should begin with the authors name, book title, location of the publication, publisher’s name, and the date of publication.

**Example:**

Reviews must conform to the following guidelines:

- Reviews should be between 500 and 750 words
- Quotes should be cited parenthetically
- Double-spaced with one-inch margins in 12pt Times New Roman font

The Journal seeks reviews that focus on the author’s argument and offer critical analysis. When applicable, reviews should discuss how a particular work fits into a given field's historiography. All reviews should conclude with the name of the reviewer and their academic affiliation.

Tips for writing an effective book review

The following comes from Mary Lynn Rampolla’s *A Pocket Guide to Writing History*, 5th edition, pages 32-33:

- Summarize the book or article and relate the author’s main point, or thesis. Make sure you briefly identify the author and note his or her credentials.

- Describe the author’s viewpoint and purpose for writing; note any aspects of the author’s background that are important for understanding the text.

- Note the important evidence the author presents to support his or her thesis.

- Evaluate the author’s use of evidence and describe how he or she deals with counterevidence. Is the argument convincing?

- Compare the text with other books or articles you have read on the same subject

- Conclude with a final evaluation of the book or article. You might discuss who would find it useful and why.

**Deadline:** Ongoing (to be considered for publication in the spring of 2013 work must be submitted by September 17, 2012)

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