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Length

Articles are not to exceed 8,000 words in length, including footnotes and abstract.

Manuscript Structure

Format

- a) Use double spacing throughout the article, except for indented quotations and footnotes.
- b) Provide one inch margins on all sides of the page.
- c) The body of the article should be typed in size 12 font, preferably in Times New Roman.
- d) Avoid excessive formatting (e.g. involving title and name headings).
- e) Please insert page numbers in the upper right-hand corner.
- f) Fully-justify the text.
- g) Left-justify footnotes, and do not place space or a line between footnote entries.

Headings

Use two levels of headings. They should be flush left, and not numbered.

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This is the Second Level Heading

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- a) Write as much as possible in the *active voice*.
- b) Avoid excessive capitalization. Small capitals, *without periods*, are used to indicate certain common abbreviations, such as:
 - historical periods: 586 BC, AD 451 or 586 BCE, 451 CE. Be consistent with one or the other.
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Style sheet

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- Transliteration and transcription of ancient texts (Chapter 5)
- Citation of printed (not online or electronic) ancient texts in translation or in a series such as *Patrologia Latina*
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Neh	Esth	Job	Ps (Pss)	Prov	Exxl
Cant	Isa	Jer	Lam	Ezek	Dan
Hos	Joel	Amos	Obad	Jonah	Mic
Nah	Hab	Zeph	Hag	Zech	Mal
Matt	Mark	Luke	John	Acts	Rom
1-2 Cor	Gal	Eph	Phil	Col	1-2 Thess
1-2 Tim	Titus	Phlm	Heb	Jas	1-2 Pet
1-2-3 John		Jude		Rev	



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c) Biblical citation of subsequent sources in a paragraph—instead of repeating the book and chapter each time:

- first time (John 3:16)
- then if same paragraph, just book and verse (5:9)
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- Begin book again with new paragraph to reorient reader.

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