Emerging Perspectives in Africana Studies Online Journal

Tips and Instructions for Submission

Call For Papers

The Africana Studies Advisory Committee of the Africana Studies Program at Bowling Green State University invites undergraduate and graduate students to submit papers to the inaugural online edition of *Emerging Perspectives in Africana Studies*. *Emerging Perspectives in Africana Studies* encompasses a wide range of topics spanning time and place, from current and historic political events, to artistic and cultural developments, and environmental change. We, therefore, welcome abstracts for papers dealing with the broader issues affecting Africana people in the global context, including but not limited to: language, religion, gender and culture; ethnicity; role of the arts/media; politics, leadership, economics and commerce; social justice; law; medicine & public health practices; education; war and terrorism; peace, conflict resolution, and security; youth, crime, and vigilante justice; changing values & norms; environment, resources, and development; immigration/migration; slavery; post colonial issues; rural urban changes; the civil war; political economic empowerment & leadership; national reconciliation; property rights; census; etc.

We encourage undergraduate and graduate students from all disciplines to participate. Paper submissions should be 10 to 20 pages double spaced and adhere to MLA (8th edition) formatting. Moreover, we request faculty to identify undergraduate student papers that are worthy of publication and, when possible, to assist their undergraduate students in the writing process.

Dates and Deadlines:

Submissions should include a paper title, the presenter's name, institutional affiliation, email address, name of faculty sponsor (for undergraduate students), and faculty sponsor's email address and a 200 250 word abstract that identifies the methodology used, states the paper's goals, summarizes the context and argument of the paper, and includes a brief conclusion. Please submit your abstract to http://scholarworks.bgsu.edu/afrsjournal by December 18, 2019. Click on the "Submit Abstract" tab in the left hand column to start the submission process. The abstract submission site will be available by November 15, 2019. Notification of abstract submission status will occur on or before January 8, 2020. Full papers are due on March 11, 2020. Papers will undergo review by the BGSU African Studies Advisory Committee. Paper status notifications will occur April 29, 2020. Paper revisions are due June 3, 2020. September/October 2020 is the tentative journal publication date.

Abstract Writing:

For first time paper abstract writers, you have three options for help. Consult your faculty advisor for advice. Visit your University's Writing Center or follow this link (https://www.academic conferences.org/policies/abstract guidelines for papers/) on the Academic Conferences website for a short tutorial on "Abstract Guidelines for Papers."

Questions:

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Angela Nelson at anelson@bgsu.edu or Tracy Susko at tsusko@bgsu.edu.

<u>Purdue Owl</u> - for assistance with formatting, citations, etc.

Your college's writing lab.

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Oxford Royale Academy's "How to Do research for an Excellent Essay: the Complete Guide"

Research organization through <u>Zotero</u>, <u>Mendeley</u>, <u>EndNote</u>, or <u>Qiqqa</u>. *Note - Zotero and Mendeley have free options. EndNote and Qiqqa require payment. Some writers prefer to create their own method of organizing research utilizing DropBox, OneDrive, SharePoint, or Excel. Use what works best for you and is easiest! Check all your options.

You can have your spelling and grammar checked with **Grammarly**.

Resources

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Once you have been notified that your abstract has been accepted, here is a link to

Final Manuscript Preparation Guidelines for formatting information.

Happy writing and thank you for considering our journal!

If you need any assistance or have any questions, please feel free to contact Dr. Angela Nelson, <u>anelson@bgsu.edu</u>, or Tracy Susko, <u>tsusko@bgsu.edu</u>.

We look forward to working with you!