

JCWRE Perspective Piece Author Instructions

Description

JCWRE accepts Perspective Pieces on applied research, policy, education, and outreach/extension in water and watershed science and management. Perspective Pieces are commentaries on current water issues from experts in the field. The editorial staff review Perspective Pieces internally. Those interested in writing a Perspective Piece should e-mail a one-page proposal to williard@siu.edu. There is no fee for publishing Perspective Pieces.

Preparation

Please follow instructions closely. Your submission will not be reviewed unless the guidelines are met.

Perspective Pieces should be written so that they will be of interest to the wide variety of water-related disciplines that encompass JCWRE readership.

Length: 2,500 words limit (includes Intro, Body, Conclusions)

Text: Times New Roman size 12 font. Double-spaced. Saved as a Microsoft Word document.

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- 1) Title: 12 words limit
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- 3) Body: Use headings and subheadings where appropriate.
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et al. 2001). JCWRE has its own reference style, but it closely resembles Chicago style if you are utilizing a reference software. Please follow the below examples.

Article in a Print Journal

Hoagland, C.R., L.E. Gentry, M.B. David, and D.A. Kovacic. 2001. Plant nutrient uptake and biomass accumulation in a constructed wetland. *Journal of Freshwater Ecology* 16: 527-540.

Article in an Online Journal (provide the url if available, if unavailable provide DOI):

Kelly, W.R., S.V. Panno, K.C. Hackley, A.T. Martinsek, I.G. Krapac, C.P. Weibel, and E.C. Stormont. 2009. Bacteria contamination of groundwater in a mixed land-use karst region. *Water Quality, Exposure and Health* 1: 69-78. Available at: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s12403-009-0006-7>. Accessed December 8, 2014.

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Book:

Kadlec, R.H. and R.L. Knight. 1996. *Treatment Wetlands*. CRC Press, Boca Raton, Florida.

Chapter in Book or Paper in a Proceedings:

Lee, R.G., R. Flamm, M.G. Turner, C. Bledsoe, P. Chandler, C. DeFarrari, R. Gottfried, R.J. Naiman, N. Schumaker, and D. Wear. 1992. Integrating sustainable development and environmental vitality: A landscape ecology approach. In: *Watershed Management: Balancing Sustainability and Environmental Change*, R.J. Naiman (Ed.). Springer-Verlag, New York, pp. 499-521.

Thesis or Dissertation:

Carrillo-Guerrero, Y. 2009. Water conservation, wetland restoration, and agriculture in the Colorado River Delta, Mexico. Dissertation, University of Arizona, Tuscon, Arizona.

Online Report:

U.S. Geological Survey. 2013. Aquifer Basics: High Plains Aquifer. Available at: http://water.usgs.gov/ogw/aquiferbasics/ext_hpaq.html. Accessed December 8, 2014.

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Submission Checklist

- Prepared in Microsoft Word, following the above guidelines.
- References are formatted for JCWRE.
- No more than 1 Table or Figure is included.
- The Figure (if using) is saved separately from the Word document as .pdf (preferred) or .tiff. If the files are too large to send via e-mail, try creating a zip file of all documents or sharing files via google or dropbox.

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