

HIMALAYA

Notes and Style Guide for Contributors

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Overview

Thank you for your interest in submitting an article for publication in *HIMALAYA*, the journal of the Association for Nepal and Himalayan Studies. *HIMALAYA* promotes scholarly understanding of, engagement with, and appreciation for this diverse region of the world. Truly interdisciplinary and transregional in scope, *HIMALAYA* is committed to covering all aspects of Himalayan Studies, including the natural and social sciences, humanities, and creative arts. *HIMALAYA* publishes peer reviewed original research articles, short field reports, perspectives pieces, book and film reviews, reports on meetings and conferences, alongside literature and photo essays from the region. Please follow the guidelines outlined below when preparing your submission.

Types of Submissions

Research Articles: original, previously unpublished contributions based on original research from all fields (up to 8,000 words, non-inclusive of abstract, notes, and references). Please refer to this style guide for further information on how to prepare a research article for submission.

Research Reports: describe early research findings more briefly than a full Research Article to convey time-sensitive, early findings (up to 2,000 words).

Perspectives: original and topical contributions that take a particular stance or articulate a viewpoint that may be controversial (up to 6,000 words). Such contributions are differently evaluated, but still peer reviewed.

Conference Reports: detail the location, proceedings, and scope of conferences, symposia and workshops relating to some aspect of Himalayan studies (up to 1,500 words).

Literature: includes original poems, short stories, and excerpts of longer forms of literature (up to 5,000 words).

Artwork: includes original drawings, photographs, or other forms of art. Please submit high-resolution (≥ 300 dpi) versions of all images following the guidelines outlined below.

Reviews: includes book and film reviews (up to 1,200 words). Please refer to Book and Film review section of this document for more information.

Photo Essays: a thematically collated selection of photos that tell a story, highlight a theme or (maximum 12 photos)

Other: Other forms of work that do not fit into one of the above categories may be suggested to the editors.

General Requirements

- ❖ Material submitted to the journal must be in English.
- ❖ Spellings and usage should follow American spelling and conform to the Merriam-Webster Dictionary <<http://www.merriam-webster.com>>.
- ❖ Authors must take full responsibility for the originality, content, and opinions expressed in their submission.
- ❖ Authors are required to obtain permission for the publication or reproduction of copyrighted material (including images) where appropriate and to offer proper acknowledgment. The author(s) must pay reproduction costs and all associated fees.
- ❖ Submitted material must be original, and not under consideration elsewhere. *HIMALAYA does not publish materials that are already in print or online.* Exceptions may be made for papers, or abstracts of papers, published in a language other than English, as well as excerpts of literature in discussion with the Editors, and on a case-by-case basis.
- ❖ Requests for custom formatting for Literature submissions may be accommodated, with approval by editors. Editors will review requests on a case-by-case basis.
- ❖ The editors reserve the right to make editorial changes to comply with style and grammar. No substantive changes will be made without the author's approval.

Use of Non-English Words and Quotations

❖ Diacritics

- ❖ If diacritics are necessary, please use a Unicode font (Gentium is a robust, cross-platform and free available Unicode fonts with a full set of diacritics).
- ❖ If using Asian language fonts, please include information specifying which fonts or packages have been used. If the text is accepted for publication, the author may be required to submit a version in a specified font.

❖ Quotations: Include non-English sentences and quotations in single quotation marks (and do not italicize).

❖ Translations

- ❖ Translations of non-English words must be included in parentheses immediately following (or vice versa, but please be consistent throughout the submission).
 - Example: '*puja* (worship)' or 'temple (Nep. *mandir*)'
- ❖ Unless they have been generally adopted into the English language (lama, guru ...), all non-English words should be italicized throughout the article.
- ❖ Do not pluralize non-English words with 's' (e.g. correct is: *dalit*, not *dalits*).
- ❖ Include translations of foreign-language quotations either in a footnote or in brackets immediately following the quotation (without italics and without quotation marks).

❖ Use of Nepali Language

- ❖ For submissions that use Nepali language terms, please provide the Ralph Lilley Turner dictionary transliteration in parentheses on first instance.
- ❖ For example, long vowels (e.g., "aa" as in 'father') take the diacritic *ā*
- ❖ Nasalized vowels in Roman type are often denoted with a tilde (̃) over the vowel, such as in "*yahā̃*", the Nepali word for "here."

❖ Use of Tibetan Language

- ❖ For submissions that use Tibetan language terms, please provide the Wylie transliteration in parentheses on first instance.
- ❖ If the term is a proper noun or name with a conventional English translation, please use the conventional English translation after first instance, e.g. 'Palace of Lotus Light (*pho brang parma 'od*).'
- ❖ If the term is culturally specific and warrants repeated use throughout the article instead of an English gloss, please provide both a phonetic transliteration followed

by Wylie transliteration on first instance, and then use the phonetic transliteration in all future instances, e.g. ‘the king or *chögyal* (*chos rgyal*) of Sikkim transitioned from being a *chögyal* of a scenic Himalayan kingdom to...’ Please refer to the Tibetan and Himalayan Library’s online Tibetan phonetics converter <<http://www.thlib.org/reference/transliteration/phconverter.php>> to facilitate this process.

Research Articles, Reports, and Perspectives

- ❖ Research Articles are typically around 8,000 words, Research Reports around 2,000 words, and Perspectives pieces are typically no more than 6000 words. Submissions that exceed the upper word limits may not be accepted for final publication. Please contact the Editors prior to submission if you are considering an article longer than this.
 - ❖ Abstracts of no more than 300 words should accompany each submission.
 - ❖ Abstracts should ensure to include and briefly describe the purpose of the research, approach used, findings and conclusion.
 - ❖ Up to five keywords should be submitted for each article. Keywords should be unique and informative, while avoiding undefined abbreviations or acronyms. Please see our ever-changing list of sample keywords at <http://himalayajournal.org/keywords/>.
 - ❖ Authors should also provide a brief autobiography of approximately 100 words and acknowledgements in 3rd person at the end of the paper. See the sample below.

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- ❖ Endnotes should be single-spaced and numbered consecutively throughout the text. They should be necessary and succinct. Endnote citation style must follow in-text citation style as described below.
- ❖ All submission should be single-spaced with 1-inch margins, non-justified.
- ❖ A list of references should follow the body of the text, single-spaced, and continue the pagination of the article. See References section for more detailed guidance.

- ❖ All pages should be numbered at the bottom of the page, including the first page.
- ❖ Submissions must be carefully checked for typographical and factual accuracy prior to submission, with special care taken in checking references and quotations, transcription, accents and spelling.
- ❖ Manuscripts should be submitted digitally.
- ❖ Author checklist for Research Articles and Reports
 - Title Page [containing:]
 - Author Information (including email and mailing address for hard copies)
 - Brief author biography
 - Abstract
 - Keywords
 - Article Body
 - Acknowledgements
 - Endnotes
 - References
 - Images (as separate files)

Conference Reports

- ❖ Conference Reports should not exceed 1,500 words.
- ❖ The report should highlight the location, dates, proceedings, and scope of the conference, symposium or workshop, and provide a link to any online materials or abstracts.
- ❖ The author's full name and institutional affiliation should be provided at the bottom of the report.

Book and Film Reviews

- ❖ Please limit your review to no more than 1,200 words. If you are interested to publish a longer version of the review on our website, please contact our Reviews Editor, Jessica Vantine Birkenholtz, at jvanbirk@illinois.edu.
- ❖ At the beginning of your review, please include the full details of the book you are reviewing:

Title: Subtitle. Author. Place: Publisher, year. Number of pages. ISBN.

For example:

Himalayan People's War: Nepal's Maoist Rebellion. Michael Hutt (ed.). Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 2004. 336 pages. ISBN 9780253217424.

- ❖ Citations from the book you are reviewing should include page numbers. Example: (p. 33) or (pp. 146-149).
- ❖ Citations from or references to other works should be included in the text. Example: (Michael Hutt. 2004. *Himalayan People's War: Nepal's Maoist Rebellion*. Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 34-45).
- ❖ Proofread your review carefully and double-check any use of romanization of foreign names and words and page references.
- ❖ Summarize the book and contextualize it within current scholarship, assessing its contribution; indicate the target audience of the book and whether the book successfully addresses this readership.
- ❖ Avoid extensive description of the book's content; rather, evaluate the author's thesis and how s/he develops it.
- ❖ If the book is an edited collection of essays, or chapters by different individuals, discuss and analyze the overall theme and content, focusing on specific chapters only when you find them particularly significant.
- ❖ At the end of your review, please include your full name (as you would like it to appear in print) and a 1-2 sentence bio, including your current institutional affiliation.

Photo Essays

- ❖ Photo essays are editorially reviewed, but do not go through an external peer review process.
- ❖ Phot essays usually include a 400-500 word Introduction, and then captions of no more than 250 words per image.

References

- ❖ It is the responsibility of the author(s) to ensure that references are correct. *HIMALAYA* follows The Chicago Manual of Style (17th edition), author-date format for references & in-text citations <http://www.chicagomanualofstyle.org/tools_citationguide.html>

- ❖ References should be listed at the end of the paper under the subheading 'References':
 - ❖ Please list citations alphabetically by author's last name, giving the complete unabbreviated source citation.
 - ❖ Please do not number entries or separate by reference types (i.e. books then journals).
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 - Include Author-Date citations within the text at the end of the sentence (Shah 2008: 21-30).
 - If a single author has multiple publications cited in a sentence, separate the years by commas (Shah 2009: 1-9, 2011).
 - If multiple authors are cited in a single sentence, separate by a semicolon (Anderson 2013; Collins 2011: 31).
 - If a large block of text is included, please complete the last sentence with a period and follow it with (Author Year: Pages) (no period required). Do not use quotation marks.
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 - Double quotation marks should be used only for direct quotations or speech.
 - Single quotation marks should be used to isolate or highlight specific words or phrases, e.g. 'untouchable', and for quotations within quotations.
- ❖ Notes on References:
 - Capitalize titles of works according to 'headline style' as opposed to sentence style.
 - Use full names (last, first) for authors. If full names are not available, treat initials as a name and insert a space (for example, C. K.).
 - For dates, use the format: day month year (12 May 2013).
 - 'ibid' should not be followed by a period; 'et al.' and 'cf.' should be followed by only one period; 'see' should not be followed by a colon before a list of references.
 - References should be ordered according to year of first publication.
 - Always include the hundred's digit in page listings (e.g. 329-341, and not 329-41).
 - In the case of multiple publication dates, state the earlier year in parenthesis first: (1898) 2001.
 - All film titles should be italicized.

Sample References using Author-Date format:

- ❖ Books with a Single Author:

Last, First. Year. *Title: Subtitle*. Location: Publisher.

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Last, First and First Last. Year. *Title: Subtitle*. Location: Publisher.

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Last, First; First Last and First Last. Year. *Title: Subtitle*. Location: Publisher.

❖ Chapter or Article from a Book:

Last, First (of chapter author). Year. Title of Chapter. In *Title of Book*, edited by First Last, Pages. Location: Publisher.

❖ Journal Article

Last, First. Year. Title of Article. *Journal Name* Volume (Issue): Pages.
e.g. *Asian Survey* 32 (2): 2-10.

❖ Newspaper Article

Last, First (of writer) (or name of paper if not available). Year. Title of Article. *Name of Paper*, DD MM YYYY.

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Last, First (of writer, if known). Year. Title of Article. *Name of Paper*, Date. <URL>
(accessed on DD MM YYYY).

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