

BOOK REVIEW- AUTHOR GUIDELINES

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Submission Guidelines

Cover Letter

Every submission must be accompanied by a cover letter addressed to the Editor-in-Chief. A place for uploading this letter will be available on the submission site. In the cover letter, please make sure to specify the submission is a book review and provide the following:

- a general description of the book under review
- a rationale for why this book review will make a substantive contribution to the journal.

Format

The review must be typed in Times New Roman, 12-point font size, double-spaced throughout including content, references and acknowledgments. Each page should be numbered consecutively. Leave 1-inch margins on all sides, and keep the right side of the text unjustified.

Title Page:

A Title page should be prepared and submitted as a separate file. In the title page please include:

- Title (maximum 12 words).
- List of authors, including professional designations and affiliation. For the corresponding author only, please include the mailing and email address.
- Acknowledgements section: Acknowledgments and grant/contract support should be included as a section in the title page file (for the purposes of blind peer review). Once a decision has been reached regarding publication, this section will appear prior to the references. All contributors who do not meet the criteria for authorship should be listed in an 'Acknowledgements' section. Examples of those who might be acknowledged include a person who provided writing assistance, or a department chair who provided general support. Authors should disclose whether they had any writing assistance and identify the entity that paid for this assistance.

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The title page should include the following information about the book in reference format (APA 6th edition):

Author Last Name, Author name. (YEAR). *Book title*. Place of publication: Publisher, Date of publication.

Style

Authors should submit the review prepared in accordance with the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association, 6th edition (<http://www.apastyle.org>). The Journal also adheres to the Uniform Requirements for Manuscripts Submitted to Biomedical Journals (2010) of the International Committee of Medical Journal Editors. Do not use error-prone abbreviations (see www.ismp.org/Tools/errorproneabbreviations.pdf for a complete list).

References

References must conform to APA (6th edition) style. The author must assume responsibility for the accuracy of references. Old citations should relate to the original work in the field, classic work related to the topic, or, in rare cases, the only other relevant work.

Content

1. The review should provide a brief and clear description of the contents of the book, including scope and structure. Reviews must provide brief information about the author and the background of the book (e.g., if the book is the result of a PhD dissertation, etc.).

2. The review should evaluate the book's strengths and weaknesses (provide examples of each). Authors may wish to consider the following questions when summarizing the strengths and weaknesses of the book: "What are important contributions that this book makes? What contributions could have been made, but were not made? What aspects were missing? How does this book stand out when compared to others in the field? To which audience(s) will this book be most helpful?"
3. If needed, use quotations to provide an example of the writing style and/or statements that are particularly helpful in illustrating the author(s) points.
4. The review should assess the book's place in the field of occupational therapy and/or occupational science, including comments on the potential value and impact of the book.

Length

Book reviews should not exceed 1000 words (excluding title page and references).