Juncture: The University of Manchester Undergraduate Politics Journal

Detailed submission guidelines

Thank you for your interest in publishing with us. Please see below our guidelines of key information for submission. If you have any doubts or queries, get into contact with us at: juncturejournal@gmail.com.

Thematic Guidelines

* We accept essays from a broad background of politically relevant topics.
* We are now accepting essays from outside of the School of Social Sciences. We will review any essay which features a political aspect of study.

Paper specifications

* Juncture only recruits and publishes work with undergraduate students. Postgraduate work will not be considered for publication.
* Submitted work should be formatted as follows:
	+ Papers should ideally be longer than 2,000 words but shorter than 8,000.
	+ Use Times New Roman font in size 12 and double spaced.
	+ We accept Harvard or Chicago style referencing. We expect consistency in referencing format.
	+ Your paper needs a short (max 30 word) title which is not an "essay question", but helps the reader understand what it will be about.
	+ Include page numbers in the footer of your submission and your name in the header. Remove your university ID number or Course Code if the work was previously an essay.

Submission Process

* To submit a paper with us we require that you fill out our submission form. This can be found on our website.
* We accept submissions for the next issue after the stated relevant deadline. Any papers submitted after this deadline will most likely be considered only for the next issue.

Review by the board

* The editorial board will review and decide whether your essay is fit for submission.
* The editorial board will operate on an accept or reject system.
* If your paper is rejected, we will provide you with adequate reason as to why and what could be improved. However, we will not reconsider it for publication again.
* If your paper is accepted by the board then you will be asked to confirm that you want it published and we will work with you to edit and review it in preparation for the publication of the next issue.

Further Guidelines for an Acceptable Submission

* Submissions will ideally offer a new insight, new perspective or consider a new area of thought orapplication of work to a field.
* Submissions will also ideally be topical to contemporary political issues and current affairs.
* If you have something to contribute which you havenot studied at university, a piece of work that is a little bit different or an angle not considered, thensend it across to us - we would love to read it.
* If you have originally written a piece of work as part of an academic essay for university assessmentthen please revise it before submitting it. The best submissions will not be written as if they are ananswer to an essay question, but a presentation of a thesis, an argument, or analysis of a topic.

Good Luck! We look forward to reading your work