Proofreading Checklist Electronic Thesis or Dissertation Humanities Formatting Style



Entire Document — Guidelines can be found in the Formatting Manual	Page #
and APA Addendum. The primary difference between the addendum and the humanities	
style are the Table of Contents, and some font size difference in page headings. This style	
is used primarily by humanities, especially if they use MLA, Chicago, etc.	
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MARGINS:	
Left: 1.5 inches; Top, Right and Bottom: 1 inch (portrait orientation)	
Top: 1.5 inches; Left, Right and Bottom: 1 inch (landscape orientation)	
No text or images crossing margin boundaries [top, bottom, left, right]	
BODY OF DOCUMENT: Document order, appearance of content	
All written/illustrative material must appear in a Preface, Chapter, or Appendix; no	
'stand-alone' sections or other divisions allowed [see section 3.1 in MANUAL]	
Text/illustrative material: begins at 1 inch top margin	
AVOID: excessive space between paragraphs, other page content, or at top of pages	
AVOID: Widow/Orphan text [pg. 4, Section 2 in formatting manual]	
No blank pages [exception: copyright page]	
TEXT: = all printed words, numbers, symbols, including page numbers	
One font style used uniformly throughout: serif, non-script [Times Roman, Cambria, etc.]	
12 pt [except text within illustrative material and footnotes]	
Black [except text within illustrative material]: includes URLS/hyperlinks, in-text	
parenthetical references, reference numbers, bookmarks, section headings, etc.	
Double-spaced [exceptions detailed in formatting manual]	
AVOID: all capital letters, italicization, bolding, and underlining for emphasis as it reduces	
readability and can be misinterpreted. Follow scholarly writing style of your discipline.	
PAGINATION:	

Preliminary pages—lower-case Roman numerals	
Title & copyright— counted in pagination but no page numbers printed on page;	
First page of Chapter 1 begins with Arabic numeral one < 1 >	
Page numbers—12 pt, centered, 3/4" above bottom edge using text font	
ILLUSTRATIVE MATERIAL: Conditional [photos, graphs, charts, maps, etc.]	
Tables: labeled ABOVE using 12pt, black, serif font, in the following style:	
Table 1	
Errors When Forecasting Industrial Production. Below	
are the Mean Absolute Percentage Errors from annual forecasts.	
Tables: do not break up over two pages unless too large; when breaking tables across	
pages, repeat the header row; never crosses margin borders; do not separate table from	
its label	
Figures: labeled BELOW using 12pt, black, serif font, in the following style:	
Figure 1. Economic analysis of the impact from a change in	
Taxes when the Federal Reserve is following an MSI.	
Figures: do not break up over two pages unless too large; if breaking across pages, label	
each part of figure; never crosses margin borders; do not separate figure from its label	
Illustrative Material: must be concise, accurate, professional quality [no sloppy scans, low-res]; must have an enumerated label and concise caption	
Individual Pages — listed in the exact order they are to appear in your document	
TITLE: Required	
Elements: centered except for signatures	
Double-space within and between each page element	
Use: <u>Titling Capitalization [Major Words are Capitalized]</u>	
Use: Submitted to the Graduate Faculty as partial fulfillment of the requirements for	
Use: Correct degree name	
Must: include committee chair - If you include any others, then ALL must be included	
Use: Committee Chair or Committee Member—not Advisor, Professor, or any other	
administrative job title; include the honorific or degree	
Dr. Jane Doe, Committee Chair / Jane Doe, Ph.D., Committee Chair	
Dr. John Doe, Committee Member / John Doe, Ph.D., Committee Member	
Must: include the name of the current Dean of the College of Graduate Studies	

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Committee members' names left-aligned under the signature line	
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Dr. Amanda C. Bryant-Friedrich, Dean	
College of Graduate Studies	
Use: Month of Graduation—May, August, December	
COPYRIGHT: Required	
Blank – OR – Contains copyright year, your name, and the copyright statement; may also choose to use a Creative Commons copyright license	
ABSTRACT: Required	
Part One section: Single-spaced within and between each element; Centered	
Part Two section: Double-spaced	
Page number: will always be lower-case Roman numeral three < iii >	
Use: <u>Titling Capitalization [Major Words are Capitalized]</u>	
Use: Submitted to the Graduate Faculty as partial fulfillment of the requirements for	
Use: Correct degree name	
Use: Month of Graduation—May, August, December	
DEDICATION: Optional	
Heading: NONE	-
Text: begins 3 inches below top edge (2 inches below top 1 inch margin)	
Must: be flush left (no centering), use same font as rest of document (no script style)	
Double-spaced and limited to one page	
ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS: Optional	
Heading: Top of page; centered, bolded ; Use: <u>Titling Capitalization [Major Words are Capitalized]</u>	
Text: begins double-spaced below heading	
Double-spaced and Limited to one page	
TABLE OF CONTENTS: Required	

Heading: Top of page, centered, bolded; Use: <u>Titling Capitalization [Majorana and Indiana and Indiana</u>	or <u>W</u> ords are
<u>C</u> apitalized]	
Line entries: begin double-spaced below heading, flush left	
Page numbers: flush against right margin in straight vertical line – not cro	ooked
Required entries: Abstract, Table of Contents, Chapters, chapter sections,	, References
Conditional entries: Acknowledgments, List of Tables, List of Figures,	
List of Abbreviations, List of Symbols, Other Lists, Preface, Appendices	
Entries / headings: use <u>Titling Capitalization</u> [<u>Major Words are Capitalized</u>	1]
Chapter entries : begin with Chapter number in italics, followed by a colo the chapter title in title case. Chapter entries are required.	on, followed by
Chapter One: The Title to Chapter One Is Not to be Italicized	#
Chapter Two: The Title to Chapter Two Goes Here	#
Appendix entries : begin with Appendix letter in italics, followed by a color the appendix title in title case.	on, followed by
Appendix A: The Heading to Appendix A Is Not to be Italicized	#
Appendix B: The Heading to Appendix B Goes Here	#
Chapter Sections: Not required to include in Table of Contents. If you inc	lude, follow
format shown below with regards to indentation.	
Chapter One: Title of Chapter One	1
Heading for Chapter One Section	#
Heading for Chapter One Section	#
Chapter Two: Title of Chapter Two	#
Entries: Double-spaced within and between	
LIST OF TABLES: Conditional	
Heading: Top of Page; centered; bolded Use: <u>Titling Capitalization [Major Capitalized]</u>	r <u>W</u> ords are
Line entries: begin double-spaced below heading, flush left	
Page numbers: flush against right margin in straight vertical line – not cro	ooked;
Entries: Dot leaders used between caption and page number	
Table 1. A measure of intervention methods used over a five-year per	riod #
Table 2. An abbreviated caption is better but if you use the complete of	caption
you must indent each subsequent line as shown here	#
Enumeration: Numbered in order of appearance in document using Arabi	ic numerals
Table 1, Table 2, Table 3, etc.	

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Page numbers: flush against right margin in straight vertical line – not crooked;	
Entries: Dot leaders used between caption and page number	
Figure 1. A map identifying clusters of ASD occurrences in Ohio #	
Figure 2. An abbreviated caption is better but if you use the complete caption you must indent each subsequent line as shown here #	
Enumeration: Numbered in order of appearance in document using Arabic numerals	
Figure 1, Figure 2, Figure 3	
Entries: double-spaced within and between	
LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS: Conditional	
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<u>C</u> apitalized]	
Line entries: begin double-space below heading, flush left	
Entry: Begin with abbreviation in all capital letters, followed by the definition	
Order: alphabetic—each alpha group separated by a double-space	
AAA	
ABA	
BBB	
ccc_	
CDC	
Entries: Single-spaced [this is one of the few exceptions to double-spacing]	
Entries: Dot leaders used between abbreviation and definition	
OCD Obsessive Compulsive Disorder	
LIST OF SYMBOLS: Conditional	
Heading: Top of the page; centered; bolded. Use: <u>Titling Capitalization [Major Words</u>	
are <u>Capitalized</u>]	
Line entries: begin double-spaced below heading, flush left	

Entry: Begin with symbol, followed by the definition; dot leaders used between	
abbreviation and definition	
©	
Order: subgroups according to discipline conventions; when relevant follow alphabetic	
order of symbols (not definition) within each subgroup; subgroups separated by single	
space	
Entries: Single-spaced [this is one of the few exceptions to double-spacing]	
PREFACE: Conditional	
Heading: Top of the page; centered; bolded. Use: <u>Titling Capitalization [Major Words</u>	
are <u>Capitalized</u>]	
Text: begins next double-spaced line below heading	
Text: Double-spaced,12pt, black, serif-font	
Pagination: Part of preliminary section; uses lower-case Roman numerals	
CHAPTER FIRST PAGES: Required [all line spacing is double]	
Chapter One [chapter number]	
Introduction [chapter title]	
Text begins double-spaced below chapter title and is to be written in the student's	
disciplinary style (MLA, Chicago, etc.).	
MANUSCRIPT CHAPTERS: See section 2.8.2 in formatting manual. If the manuscript has been	
accepted for publication or has been published, the chapter title page must specify the name of the	
publishing journal and include either the notation "in press" or the complete citation if already	
published. This can be placed directly below the title of the chapter or in a footnote on the chapter title	
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Chapter number: Top of the page; centered; bolded [Chapter One]; bold; Use: Titling	
<u>Capitalization [Major Words are Capitalized]</u>	
Heading: Double-spaced below chapter number; centered; bold [Level 1 Heading];	
Use: <u>Titling Capitalization [Major Words are Capitalized]</u>	
Text: double-space below heading	
REFERENCES: Required	
Heading: Top of the page; centered; bolded. Use: <u>Titling Capitalization [Major Words</u>	
are <u>Capitalized</u>]	
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Double-spaced: within <i>and</i> between references OR	

Single-spaced: within reference, but double-spaced between references	
Text: 12pt, black, serif-font – URLS/links may not be a different color	
APPENDIX: Conditional [all spacing is double]	
Appendix A	
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<u>Capitalization [Major Words are Capitalized]</u>	
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document, figure, illustration, table, etc.]	