# STAD Manuscript Style Guide

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Please use these instructions when you submit your manuscript to *Social Theory and Dynamics (STAD)*. Any manuscript that deviates from this guideline may not be accepted.

### 1. Style and format

- Manuscripts are accepted only in English.
- Manuscripts should be typed, double spaced on either A4 (297x210mm) or letter (279x216mm) size paper, using ample margins.
- Please use standard font design (e.g. Times New Roman, Century, etc.) and size (10 ~ 11pt).
- Please use single quotation marks, except where 'a quotation is "within" a quotation'. Long quotations of 35-40 words or more should be indented without quotation marks.

## 2. Structure of manuscripts

The manuscript should be submitted in two different files: covering letter and main text. (1) Covering letter file

All authors should provide a covering letter indicating their telephone number, fax number and email address plus full address details of the author checking the proofs (if different).

### (2) Main text file

The main text file should be compiled in the following order: title; abstract; keywords; main text; acknowledgements; references; appendices (as appropriate); table(s) with caption(s) (on individual pages); figure caption(s) (as a list).

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In addition to full title, Authors should supply a running head (short title) of no more than 50 characters (including spaces). Abbreviations should not be used in the title.

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Abstracts of up to 250 words are required for all manuscripts submitted.

• keywords

Each manuscript should have 3 to 5 keywords.

- Main text
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  - As papers are double-blind peer reviewed, the main text file should not include any information that might identify the authors.
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• References

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• Tables and figures

Tables and figures should be clearly laid out on separate sheets and numbered in Arabic numerals in order of appearance in the text. Their approximate location in the text should be clearly indicated. Legends should be concise but comprehensive – the table, legend, and footnotes must be understandable without reference to the text. All abbreviations must be defined in footnotes.

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