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The journal receives articles written in either Spanish or English. Scholarly articles should be between 6,000 and 12,000 words in length, including notes, tables, figures, and appendixes. Shorter or longer articles are also considered, but may not be competitive. All articles must be original, and must not be in process of revision in other Journal.

The Editorial Council reserves the right to make decisions over the publication of articles, including in which edition they will appear. The Editorial Council seeks to maintain author anonymity under the double-blind principle during the editorial decision-making and review processes; authors should therefore remove self-references from their articles. Manuscripts must be submitted electronically with an abstract of no more than 200 words to revistapolitica@udla.edu.ec. In a separate document, authors should include pertinent information such as their name(s), academic degrees received or being completed, institutional affiliation(s), the date of submission, and a complete mailing address and email address.

Once that the abstract has been reviewed, a member of the Editorial Team will get in

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Articles are initially reviewed by the Chief Editor and by at least one other member of the Editorial Team. If an article is deemed inappropriate for the journal at this stage, authors will be promptly notified by the Chief Editor. Articles that are selected by the Chief Editor and the Editorial Team are then reviewed by additional referees from within and outside the Universidad de las Américas, Quito.

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Authors should place their articles within the existing scholarly literature on a topic through the use of footnotes. These notes should be early on in the manuscript and refer readers to antecedent articles, particularly where there is debate between scholars. The Consejo Editorial will rigorously seek to avoid the publication of unoriginal research; however, in the case of oversight by the Consejo Editorial, the responsibility for publishing unoriginal research ultimately rests with the author.

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SUBSTANTIVE NOTES

It is often useful early in a manuscript to place one's article within the existing scholarly literature through the use of substantive notes. The following is an example of such a substantive note.

"The number of articles in academic international relations journals that focus on security aspects of the cyber revolution is small. They include Ronald J. Deibert, "Black Code: Censorship, Surveillance, and Militarization of Cyberspace," *Millennium*, Vol. 32, No. 2 (December 2003), pp. 501–530; Johan Eriksson and Giampiero Giacomello, "The Information Revolution, Security, and International Relations: The (IR)relevant Theory?" *International Political Science Review*, Vol. 27, No. 3 (July 2006), pp. 221– 244; Lene Hansen and Helen Nissenbaum, "Digital Disaster, Cyber Security, and the Copenhagen School," *International Studies Quarterly*, Vol. 53, No. 4 (December 2009), pp. 1155–1175; and Mary M. Manjikian, "From Global Village to Virtual Battlespace: The Colonizing of the Internet and the Extension of Realpolitik," *International Studies Quarterly*, Vol. 54, No. 2 (June 2010), pp. 381–401."¹

BOOKS

First note

Author's full name, *Book Title* (City of Publication: Name of Publisher, Year of Publication), page numbers.

Henry Kissinger, *Diplomacy* (New York: Simon & Schuster, 1994), p. 21.

If one is citing the entire book, then there is no need to include page numbers.

Subsequent notes

Author's last name, *Title of the Book*, page number.

¹ This example of a substantive note is taken from Lucas Kello, "The Meaning of the Cyber Revolution: Perils to Theory and Statecraft," *International Security*, Vol. 38, No. 2 (Fall 2013), pp. 7–40.

Kissinger, *Diplomacy*, pp. 23–25.

If the first note is immediately followed by references to the same book, simply use “Ibid.” instead of putting the author’s last name and the book title; page numbers should still be included.

Ibid., pp. 23–25.

BOOKS WITH AN EDITOR

First note

Editor’s full name, ed., *Book Title* (City of Publication: Name of Publisher, Year of Publication), page numbers.

Cynthia J. Arnson, ed., *In the Wake of War: Democratization and Internal Armed Conflict in Latin America* (Washington, D.C.: Woodrow Wilson Center Press, 2012), p. 7.

Subsequent notes

Arnson, *In the Wake of War*, p.

101. Ibid., p. 101.

CHAPTER WITHIN AN EDITED BOOK

First note

Author’s full name, “Title of the Chapter,” in Editor’s full name, ed., *Title of the Book* (City of publication: Name of publisher, Year of publication), page numbers.

Kenneth N. Waltz, “A Reply to My Critics,” in Robert O. Keohane, ed., *Neorealism and Its Critics* (New York: Columbia University Press, 1986), p. 343.

Second note

Waltz, “A Reply to My Critics,” p.

343. Ibid., p. 343.

JOURNAL ARTICLES

First note

Author’s full name, “Title of the Article,” *Name of the Journal*, Volume number, Issue number (Season and year of publication), page numbers.

John J. Mearsheimer, “The False Promise of International Institutions,” *International Security*, Vol. 19, No. 3 (Winter 1994/95), p. 10.

If one is making a general citation to the entire journal article, then the complete range of pages should be included.

John J. Mearsheimer, “The False Promise of International

Institutions," *International Security*, Vol. 19, No. 3 (Winter 1994/95), pp. 5–49.

Subsequent notes

Mearsheimer, "The False Promise of International Institutions," pp. 9-14.

Ibid., pp. 9–14.

PERIODICALS & NEWSPAPERS

First note

"Name of the article," *Publisher*, Exact date of publication, Page numbers or website URL (if found online).

"Science Friction," *Business Week*, May 29, 2006,
http://www.businessweek.com/magazine/content/06_22/b3986077.htm

Subsequent notes

"Science Friction." Ibid.

INSTITUTIONAL & GOVERNMENT REPORTS

First note

Name of the institution, *Name of the Report* (City of publication: Name of publisher, Year of publication), page numbers.

National Intelligence Council (NIC), *Global Trends 2030: Alternative Worlds* (Washington, D.C.:NIC, 2012), p. ii.

Second note

NIC, *Global Trends 2030*, pp. 31–34.

Ibid, pp. 31–34.

WEBSITES

First note

Name of online publisher (individual or institution), "Name of Website," Website URL.

Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI), "Military Expenditure Database".

http://www.sipri.org/research/armaments/milex/milex_database

Subsequent notes

SIPRI, "Military Expenditure Database." Ibid.