PUBLISHING STANDARDS

General characteristics

The Journal proposes an updated overview about sociology, open to a variety of both theoretical and empirical perspectives, promoting the dialogue between different sociological fields and encouraging the debate of this branch of knowledge with other social sciences.

Scientific Strictness

The articles proposed for the publication have to show scientific strictness and a solid theoretical and methodological approach, and to report significant research results, of national or international interest.

Originality

The articles proposed for the publication have to be unpublished, not yet submitted (neither entirely nor in their main parts) to other scientific journals, or published in other kinds of publications (such as encyclopedias, etc.)

Double-blind peer review

The journal adopts a double-blind peer reviewing. To guarantee faster and more efficient procedures authors are invited to submit, together with the complete version of the essay, a second version in anonymous mode: this means that all the references to the author/authors, in the notes, in the quotes and everywhere they appear, must be erased. The editorial staff will provide the final check.

Sizes and languages

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Language

Essays can be written in Italian or English language. For non-mother tongue authors only, it will be necessary to test the essay with a “proof editing” procedure. If requested to do so by the editorial staff, authors will have to attach a certification guaranteeing the completed verification of the text.

Abstract

The maximum length allowed is 500 characters including spaces. A list of 5 key-words is also to be included.

Essays

Each essay, including notes and references, cannot pass the limit of 45,000 keystrokes. Essays have to contain name, surname and institution of each author.

Reviews

The maximum length of a review is 5000 characters including spaces but for this particular kind of articles it is possible to make agreements with the editorial staff on a different size. The reviews follow the same editorial norms as the essays.

Text features:

- Body of the text: Times New Roman, character size 12, justified, single-spaced
- Size 11 for all the words included in figures / tables
- Essay title: Times New Roman, character size 16, italic, centered
- Chapter title: Times New Roman, character size 12, bold, left-aligned, 2 white line spacing above and 1 below.
- Footnotes: Times New Roman, character size 9, single-spaced, enumerated progressively in ascending order from footnote n. 1.
- References: Times New Roman, character size 10, single-spaced.

Page margins: 2.00 cm (0.79 inches) for all four sides.

Alignments and indents: first row of each chapter has to have an indent of 0.5 cm from the left margin. Exceptions to this rule are made for abstracts and quotes.

Character spacing: double spacing (including references, figures, tables, quotes, titles and headers). Don’t add further spaces after a chapter or before a new title.

Page numbers: start the enumeration from the page that includes the title.

All vowels must bear the correct accent marks (à, è, ì, ò, ù) in Italian, both for capital letters and lowercase letters. Never use apostrophes to replace accents.
Decades and centuries should always be written in letters and never in numeric form, with lowercase initial (i.e. “The sixteenth century” and not “16th century”, “the nineties” and not “1990s”).

For any further advice or questions please contact the editorial board staff (redazione@fuoriluogo.info).

Tables, graphs and images.

A table/graph/image of about half folder equals 2000 keystrokes, including spaces. Those elements will be included inside the text. For the tables is it necessary to provide apart the Excel file in order to allow for possible further changes. Enumerate the elements progressively in the right order in which they appear in the text and write also a descriptive title for each element. Images have to be sent individually and have a minimal native resolution (with no interpolation) of 300 dpi, in JPG and PNG formats.

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Quotes

Textual quotes in the text have to be included between quotation marks (« ») and have to be followed by a bracket including author’s surname, year of the quote and page (Scott, 2017, p. 30). In case the quoted text includes quotation marks, apexes have to be used (‘‘). The quoted text has to be reported entirely. If some parts are omitted, they have to be indicated by […] . If the textual quote exceeds 5 rows the text has to be detached from the previous chapter and from the next one. In this specific case the character size has to be one point smaller.

High quoting marks (“ ”) have to be used when the aim is to emphasize words or concepts. Foreign terms of not common use, Latinisms and Grecisms, have to be reported in italics, while the ones of common use (i.e. mainstream) have to stay roman. No bold and underlined words are allowed. We also ask authors to avoid, as much as possible, the capital letters as a sign of respect. Leave the capital letters only for Country, Republic, State and similar.

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If a text is quoted more than once in the article, from the second time it has to be reported as Surname, year, op. cit. (Scott, 2016, op. cit.). Use (ibidem) for an immediate repetition of the work and (ibidem, p.) for an immediate repetition of the work but with a different page.

For the bibliography the international standard APA 6^ Ed. is required: http://www.apastyle.org/.

- book titles in italics with no quoting marks;
- titles of journals, magazines, newspapers, research reports and other press sources in italics without «quoting marks»;
- titles of articles in roman with no quoting marks;
• essay titles in collective journal, in high quoting marks (“ ”);

• author name: write always first the surname then the initial letter of the name separated by a comma. If the quoted work has more than one author, split them with the comma and never with “and”. When an author has two or more names, don’t leave space between initial letters of the names (i.e. Rossi A.B.);

• publication date: write it in brackets after the author’s name;

• publisher: report it only for volumes, after the title, separated by a comma. After that add always, separated by a comma, the place of publication;

• when the abbreviation “et al.” is used, it will always be in italics;

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Author, A. (year). Title. Place: Publisher.


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Author, A. (year). “Chapter title”. In Author, B. (edited by), Volume title (pp.xx-xx). Place: Publisher.


Journal article:


Encyclopedic voice:

If the editor is known, the form is the book-standard edited by; otherwise, the encyclopedia title is written in italics replacing the author/editor name.


In case of quoting a single voice of a vocabulary or an encyclopedia, if this one is signed, the procedure to be followed is the following:


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Acronyms of research institutes have to be indicated in all their extension in a footnote only the first time they are quoted in the text (i.e. UNWTO United Nations World Tourism Organization). Acronyms have to be in roman, capital letters with no quoting marks and no dots between letters in bibliography (i.e. ISFOL and not I.S.F.O.L.).

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