

***Human Rights Review***  
**General Instructions for Book Reviews**

The normal length for book reviews is as follows: one book: 750-1000 words; two books: 1750 to 2000 words; and three books: 2750-3000 words. Acceptance for publication is conditional on approval and editing by HRR.

Specific Formatting Instructions for Book Reviews:

1. At the beginning of the book review, include (in bold letters) the following:

**A. *Title of Book* by Author's First and Last Name OR Editor's First and Last Name, ed.**

**Publication City (or Cities): Publisher, Year**

**B. Your name**

Example:

***The Supreme Court in the American Legal System* by Jeffrey A. Segal, Harold J. Spaeth, and Sara C.**

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**New York: Cambridge University Press, 2005**

**John Doe Smith**

2. In the body of the review:

A. The review should contain a balance between description and critical evaluation of the book(s).

B. Avoid using "I," "we," "this writer," and any other self-referential words and phrases, particularly in sentences that evaluate the book(s).

C. Keep quotations from the book(s) brief, and cite the page number(s) in parentheses, for example, "quote" (76).

D. The review should not contain either footnotes or a bibliography.

E. The review should be double-spaced, with the first line of the paragraph indented. Avoid any personal and/or unusual formatting.

3. At the end of the review:

A. Include a brief biography (150 words). This will be placed in the "Notes on Contributors" section at the beginning of the issue.

B. Separate from the bio, provide complete contact information including University/professional affiliation, mailing address and email address. This will be included at the bottom of the first page of your review in the journal. This information will be part of the review and will be made public – a professional address is preferred to a personal address.

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