Guidelines for Article Submissions

The Southeastern Librarian publishes general interest and research articles.

Double-Blind Peer Review Process

Both general interest and research articles go through a double-blind peer review process. This process typically takes approx. 8-12 weeks, however, the process can take more or less time.

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Research Articles:

- should consist of original, qualitative or quantitative research relevant to the library profession.
- must contain an abstract of no more than 150 words and a maximum of five keywords.
- must contain a literature review.
- must contain a references section (type all references, do not use your word processor’s footnote/endnote features).
- should conform to the most recent edition of the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association (APA) particularly in regard to capitalization, punctuation, quotations, tables, captions, and elements of bibliographic style. Do not use footnotes.
- must include a separate title page with the name, affiliation/position, and professional address of the author/authors (the name of the author should not appear anywhere else in the manuscript).
- must be submitted via email as an attachment, preferably in MS Word or a compatible format, to Ashley S. Dees, SELn Editor, at aesorey@olemiss.edu.

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- should address professional concerns/issues of the library community. The SELn particularly seeks articles that have a broad southeastern scope.
- can include best practices articles, position pieces, library trends, and etc.
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