Food-Fueled Submissions Editing Guide

Overview

This document outlines the guidelines *Food-Fueled* editors must adhere to when reviewing submissions. Unless stated otherwise, these guidelines apply regardless of submission type, genre, or category. Any changes/revisions to this document must be reviewed by all members of the *Food-Fueled* editorial board.

Document Organization



All submissions to *Food-Fueled* must be sent as <u>Microsoft Word Documents</u> to <u>submissions_ff@american.edu</u>. If contributors send their papers in other formats, editors will request that they resubmit them as Word Documents prior to the editing process. Edits and comments will be added through the <u>Microsoft Word "Comments" software</u>; the only direct changes editors will make to submissions are correcting spelling, punctuation, and grammar errors. All other edits/suggestions will be added as comments which contributors must approve.

Editing Checklist

Style & Font	 ☐ Headings in Times New Roman, 12 pt. font ☐ Body Text in Times New Roman, 12 pt. font ☐ Footnotes in Times New Roman, 10 pt. font ☐ Visual Descriptors in Times New Roman, 10 pt. font ☐ No personal pronouns present* ☐ Submissions are broken down into sections with subheads ☐ Paragraphs are of appropriate length (150-200 words)
Spelling & Grammar	 □ All words are spelled correctly according to Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary □ Word choice is appropriate and meaningful □ Sentence structure is varied appropriately □ Common grammar mistakes are eliminated ("to" vs. "too"; "they're" vs. "their"; "affect" vs. "effect", etc.)
Punctuation	 Every sentence is ended with a punctuation mark Footnotes are outside of punctuation marks Direct quotes are punctuated correctly Commas are used appropriately**
Citations & Structure	 □ All direct quotes, paraphrases, or ideas inspired by another work must be cited □ All citations are in Chicago: Notes & Bibliography, 17th edition □ All in-text citations and reference list entries are accurately punctuated □ A reference list is present at the end of the submission featuring all works referenced or consulted □ Plagiarism and unethical research practices are not permitted
Visuals	☐ All added visuals are accurately cited☐ Visual descriptors are below each added image☐ Visuals are clear, easy to read, and are of high quality
Content	Self-plagiarism and redundant publication in other academic journals will not be considered
Peer Review***	☐ Confirmation of adequate peer-review

^{*}exceptions made for personal prose and poetry pieces

Editing Timeline



September thru January	Editors will send email confirmation to contributors that their submission was received.
January	Editors will send an email to their assigned contributors accepting or rejecting their submission. At this point, if peer review is needed, Food-Fueled will begin with an open peer review.
February - March	Submissions will be returned via email to the contributors with the first round of edits. Contributors have one week to review these edits and accept/reject them.
March - Early April	Submissions will be returned via email to the contributors with the second round of edits. Contributors have one week to review these edits and accept/reject them.
Late April - May	The final draft of each contributor's submission will be returned to them for final review. Contributors have one week to approve the final draft and consent to publication.
End of Spring Semester	Submissions are officially published by Food-Fueled on the Wordpress site!
Post-Publication	Editors will consider corrections to published submissions for purposes of validity or clarity. Editors will consider retractions if published submissions features errors/flaws that affect the integrity of the scientific record.

