

Updated Editorial Requirements for *Comparative Legilinguistics*

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APA Style 7th Edition

1. General Formatting Requirements:

Paper Size and Margins:

- Paper size: 15 cm × 22.5 cm
- Margins: Top 2 cm, Bottom 2 cm, Right 2 cm, Left 2 cm

Title and Author Details:

- **Title:** The title of the article should follow sentence-style capitalization, meaning only the first word and any proper nouns should be capitalized. Avoid using all caps or title case. (Font: bold, Times New Roman, size 15, justified; spacing: before 52 pts, after 52 pts; line spacing: exactly 17 pts.

E.g.,

Linguistic analysis of European Union directives

- **Author's Details:** Below the title, include your full name, followed by your scholarly degree in **bold**. Use Times New Roman, size 12, centered (spacing: 0 pts; line spacing: exactly 14 pts). Below this, provide your affiliation, email, ORCID, and country in plain text.

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Abstracts and Keywords:

- Provide an **abstract in English** (150-300 words), followed by 5-8 keywords. Font: Times New Roman, size 10, justified, spacing: 0 pts; line spacing: exactly 14 pts.

Main Text:

- Font: Times New Roman, size 11, justified (line spacing: exactly 14 pts).
- Indentation: First paragraph not indented; subsequent paragraphs indented 1.25 cm.
- Headings: Times New Roman, size 13, left-aligned (spacing: before 32 pts, after 22 pts; line spacing: exactly 14 pts).

Figures and Tables:

- **Up to 2 figures and 4 tables allowed per article.**
- Figures and tables must be **in black and white or grayscale**. Font: Times New Roman, size 10. Spacing: before the table 22 pts; line spacing: exactly 12 pts).
- Titles or captions placed below the table / figure. Font: Times New Roman, size 10. The words **Table** or **Figure** in bold. Spacing: before 6 pts, after 22 pts; line spacing: exactly 14 pts).
- Provide clear titles and notes for each table/figure. Number consecutively (e.g., **Table 1.**, **Figure 1.**).

E.g.,

Title of Document	Type of Document	Jurisdiction
United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (CISG)	International Convention	United Nations
European Union General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)	Regulation	European Union
Italian Civil Code – Contractual Obligations	Legal Code	Italy
Polish Constitutional Tribunal Decision on Electoral Law	Constitutional Decision	Poland

Table 1. Legal Documents.

Quotations:

- Inline quotes: Use quotation marks.
- Block quotes (longer than three lines): Separate paragraph, Times New Roman, size 9, justified (spacing: before 12 pts, after 12 pts; line spacing: exactly 11 pts; indentation 1 cm).

Maximum Article Length:

- Limit of **15 pages**, equivalent to **approximately 30,000 characters with spaces** (25,000 characters without spaces) including references.

2. APA 7th Edition Citation Style:

In-Text Citations:

1. **Single Author:** (Author's Last Name, Year, p. X)
 - Example: (Róg, 2024, p. 10)
2. **Two Authors:** (First Author's Last Name & Second Author's Last Name, Year, p. X)
 - Example: (Bielak & Urbaniak, 2022, p. 114)
3. **Three or More Authors:** (First Author's Last Name et al., Year, p. X)
 - Example: (Laskowski et al., 2021, p. 155)
4. **Legal and Organizational Documents:** Use the organization or title as the author.
 - Example: (COPFS, 2022, p. 25).

References/Bibliography Examples:

Books:

Baker, M. (1992). *In other words*. Routledge.

Fraser, C. (2017). *Prairie fires: The American dreams of Laura Ingalls Wilder*. Metropolitan Books.

McQueen, R. A., & Knussen, C. (2006). *An introduction to research methods and statistics in psychology*. Pearson Prentice Hall.

Articles in Journals:

Breeze, R. (2020). Angry tweets: A corpus-assisted study of anger in populist political discourse. *Journal of Language Aggression and Conflict*, 8(1), 118–145.

Slethaug, G. E. (1986). The paradoxical double in Le Guin's *A Wizard of Earthsea*. *Extrapolation*, 27(4), 326-333. <https://doi.org/10.3828/extr.1986.27.4.326>

Urbaniak, A. (2022). Contemporary homo politicus as an ideal orator: A pragmalinguistic analysis of the inaugural addresses of American presidents from 1981 to 2021. *Scripta Neophilologica Posnaniensia*, 22, 45–72.

Articles or Chapters in Edited Books:

Bielak, M., & Urbaniak, A. (2022). Andragogy: The level of educational maturity of Polish first-cycle (BA) English philology students. In M. Vaneva (Ed.), *English in non-English-speaking countries: Practices, perceptions, challenges, and perspectives* (pp. 113–138). Cambridge Scholars Publishing.

Coulthard, M. (2020). Experts and opinions. In M. Coulthard, A. May & R. Sousa-Silva (Eds.), *The Routledge handbook of forensic linguistics* (pp. 473–486). Routledge.

Electronic Sources with DOI:

Róg, T., & Urbaniak, A. (2024). Impact of task-based and task-supported L2 teaching on the use of connective markers in learners' written performance. *Theory and Practice of Second Language Acquisition*. <https://doi.org/10.31261/TAPSLA.15113>

Dissertation or Master's Thesis, Unpublished

Samson, J. M. (2016). *Human trafficking and globalization* [Unpublished doctoral dissertation]. Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

Federal or State Statute

The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Publ. L. No. 111-148, 124 Stat. 119 (2010). <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/PLAW-111publ148/pdf/PLAW-111publ148.pdf>

Report by a Government Agency or Other Organization

United States Government Accountability Office. (2019). *Performance and accountability report: Fiscal year 2019*. <https://www.gao.gov/assets/710/702715.pdf>

Report by Individual Authors at Government Agency or Other Organization

Palanker, D., Volk, J., Lucia, K., & Thomas, K. (2018). *Mental health parity at risk: Deregulating the individual market and the impact on mental health coverage*. National Alliance on Mental Illness. <https://www.nami.org/About-NAMI/Publications-Reports/Public-Policy-Reports/Parity-at-Risk/ParityatRisk.pdf>

Conference Proceedings

Huang, S., Pierce, R., & Stamey, J. (Eds.). (2006). *Proceedings of the 24th annual ACM international conference on the design of communication*. ACM Digital Library. <https://dl.acm.org/citation.cfm?id=1166324&picked=prox>

Website article with author

Spritzler, F. (2017, January 29). 13 ways to prevent type 2 diabetes. Healthline. <https://www.healthline.com/nutrition/prevent-diabetes>

Website article without author or date

What are pulses? (n.d.). Half-Cup Habit. <https://pulses.org/nap/what-are-pulses/>

Footnotes:

- Font: Times New Roman, size 9, justified, single spacing.
- Use for additional comments but not for bibliographic references.

3. Limitations and Submission Guidelines:

- Articles must comply with APA 7th Edition standards. In all cases on how to cite or reference not included in this manual, please visit and consult:
https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/research_and_citation/apa_style/apa_formatting_and_style_guide/index.html
- Include no more than 2 figures and 4 tables.
- Submissions exceeding 15 pages or 30,000 characters (with spaces) will not be accepted.