

## Submission Guidelines

The *Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography* welcomes submissions of original research or interpretation on all aspects of the social, cultural, political, and economic history of Pennsylvania. As part of an institution-wide initiative to make history relevant to all, we are especially interested in three types of articles:

- Those that draw on our strengths as a research library and showcase the innovative approaches that HSP fellows and other researchers are applying to our collections;
- Those that address groups who have traditionally been underrepresented in historical scholarship; and/or
- Those that engage issues with contemporary relevance.

The Balch Institute for the Study of American Identities, one of the three pillars of HSP's recently adopted strategic plan, capitalizes on our unparalleled collections on immigration and ethnic history, offering researchers access to tremendous, and in many cases untapped, primary sources. Building on *PMHB*'s recent special issue on immigration and ethnicity, we hope to foster ongoing scholarly attention on these groups. Additionally, we welcome articles on topics including but not limited to women, gender, and sexuality; race and racial justice movements; labor and working-class history; and arts and culture. Articles that enhance the chronological span of the journal will also be looked upon favorably.

We expect that no essay submitted to us has simultaneously been submitted elsewhere. All submissions should be based on original research or new interpretations and should reflect the highest standards of scholarship. We proudly publish graduate students and other early-career scholars alongside the most prominent members of the field.

Authors are encouraged to discuss their essays with the [editor](#) <sup>[1]</sup> before submitting them. When ready, authors should submit manuscripts electronically. Please send submissions in .doc or .docx to the [editor](#) <sup>[1]</sup> as an attachment to email.

Manuscripts should be double-spaced, with footnotes inserted as reference in the same file. Please use the *Chicago Manual of Style*, but we also recommend referring to a recent issue of *PMHB* because we depart from Chicago style in some particulars. For example, we do not use the names of publishers in notes nor do we use p. or pp. for page numbers.

Manuscripts should be no longer than thirty-five pages, including notes (which should also be double spaced). Tables should be in vertical page format. Although we can print tables and images longwise, we would prefer that the reader not have to turn the magazine on its side. A limited number of halftones may be used if the images are essential to the text and of publishable quality. Images from repositories other than HSP must be obtained by the author. Digital TIFF files must be at least 300 dpi at print size. Securing permission to publish from the repository and the copyright holder is the responsibility of the author.

The editor provides the first screening of all manuscripts. Promising manuscripts are sent out for peer review by at least two readers. This process takes anywhere from six weeks to three

months, occasionally longer. Reviewers' reports will be shared with authors and revisions requested where appropriate.

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