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CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS: Issue 7.1, Fall 2018

The editors of *SPECTRA: The ASPECT Journal* invite scholarly work in all areas of social, political, ethical, and cultural thought for the Fall 2018 issue.

We invite the submission of academic articles, book reviews, and original artwork for publication in volume 7.1. Submissions may speak to individual social science or humanities fields, or apply an interdisciplinary lens to contemporary theoretical, critical, empirical, or policy-oriented subjects.

We publish bold and eclectic contributions. Past articles have focused on sovereignty in the city, Afghan and Iraqi refugee crises, cultural colonization in Mongolia, financial governance and debt, applied Marcuse and Foucault to *The Purge*, and explored the relationship between Hip-Hop, globalization, and identity construction, among many others.

SPECTRA is an online, peer-reviewed scholarly journal established as part of the [ASPECT](#) (Alliance for Social, Political, Ethical, and Cultural Thought) program at Virginia Tech. The journal features work of an interdisciplinary nature and is designed to provide an academic forum to showcase research, explore controversial topics, and take intellectual risks. *SPECTRA* welcomes submissions for publication by way of scholarly refereed articles, book reviews, essays, and other works that operate within a problem-centered, theory-driven framework.

Full submissions are due by Monday, September 17, 2018.

Please visit our website for more information about [submission guidelines](#), also included below.

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SPECTRA Submission Guidelines

Submitting Your Work:

We welcome submission of scholarly articles for peer review, as well as book reviews, reflections, response essays, and other selected non-peer reviewed work.

Please submit all text submissions as Microsoft Word (.doc, .docx) or Rich Text Format (.rtf) attachments to the SPECTRA website at <https://spectrajournal.org/>. You will need to create your own account to submit your work. We also encourage multimedia texts, including podcasts, video compositions, and other creative works.

Submission of manuscripts for peer review

SPECTRA requires the submission of two versions of manuscripts for peer review, one anonymous and one attributed. All manuscripts must use Chicago endnote style citations (see below for additional submission guidelines).

Instructions for Attributed Files

On the cover page, please include (a) complete contact information for all contributing authors including graduate program, year in program, and email address (b) title, keywords and abstract and (c) a brief statement as to how the manuscript contributes to the issue theme and is of interest to a broad audience (d) indication of interest in participating in a short interview describing your work for posting on the journal website.

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Citation Style

SPECTRA uses Chicago documentary note citation style. For additional formatting information please consult the *Chicago Manual of Style* (<http://library.williams.edu/citing/styles/chicago1.php>). All references and citations should follow the indicated guidelines.

Manuscript Preparation

Manuscripts of **5,000 words or less** (unless by permission of the editors) should be double-spaced, including references, and on 8 ½ x 11 paper using one inch margins.

Book Reviews

SPECTRA invites book reviews. If you are interested in writing book reviews, please email the editor-in-chief. The editor will add your name to a roster for upcoming reviews as books become available. Please let the editor know if you are interested in reviewing a particular book, and the journal will try to acquire a copy; however, this may not always be possible.

Book reviews may focus on a single work or several related works. Submissions should consider the purpose of the journal in book selection: a book review is not simply a summary and critique of a book, but views the book within the context of the larger academic discipline. Appropriate book reviews should consider the background of the book's author, the soundness of the argument and methods, and how the book fits into the larger academic debates raised within *SPECTRA*. Selected books should be no longer than five years from publication.

At the beginning of your review, please include the following information for the book(s) being reviewed:

- Full citation in Chicago format
- Hardback/Paperback
- Cost
- ISBN number
- Title of the review
- On average, book reviews should be approximately 1,500-2,000 words.
- Submissions related to the theme of the edition are preferred, but not required

In a brief bio at the end of your review, please include (a) complete contact information including graduate program, year in program, and email address, (b) the title, file format, and file size of your piece, and (c) a brief statement indicating how the piece relates to the issue's theme.