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1. General style

- **Spelling:** UK (e.g. colour) / US (e.g. color) [*please use one variation consistently*]
- **Endings:** ise (theorise) / ize (theorize) [*please use one variation consistently*]
- **Serial commas:** Yes (this, that, and the other)
- **Quotation marks:** double with single within ("the 'new' regime")
- **Punctuation:** outside quotation marks ('it is a fresh start'.)
- **Acronyms:** unpointed (USA)
- **Dashes:** spaced en dash (The essay – first published in 1960 – addresses this question.)
- **Numbers:** spelled out to ten, Arabic thereafter (one to ten, 11–), maximum number spans (135–136)
- **Dates:** 7 June 1918
- **First letter after colons:** capitalised
- **Long quotes (more than 40 words)**
 - New paragraph
 - Indentation
 - Do not italicise
 - And do not use inverted commas.
- **Bulleted and numbered lists:**
 - Each line begins with a capital letter
 - And ends with a semi-colon
- **Figures and tables:** There **should be** an in-text reference for every figure and table, e.g. 'see Figure 7.9'?
- **Referencing style:** APA7

2. Title

- **Font size 16 & bold Times New Roman (TNR)**
- lowercase after the first word's capitalisation and initial cap after colon (e.g. Empathy and attitude of university students toward students with disabilities: A comparison...)

3. Author's Names

- Author's First Name, Second Name, Last Name: **Bold**, Font size 14
- Designation, Affiliation: Font size 11, *Italicised*

Example:

David Santandreu Calonge *Professor, University of ABC, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates*

Ofem Usani Joseph *Department of Educational Foundations, University of Calabar, Nigeria*

Iyam Mary Arikpo *Department of Vocational Education, University of Calabar, Nigeria*

4. Correspondence

- Please provide **one** corresponding author's email address.

5. ORCID Number

- Please provide **all** authors' ORCID numbers in the following format.
- EG: <https://orcid.org/0000-0002-0715-5502>

6. Keywords

- Arranged in alphabetical sequence, first word in initial capital, subsequent words in lowercase, separated with a semi-colon, and finish the last word with a full stop.
- Capitalise all the proper nouns
- **Font Size: 12**

Example:

AI;
Artificial intelligence;
awareness;
multigroup analysis;
perception;
structural equation modelling;
utilisation.

7. Headers

I. First level header: Times New Roman (TNR), Font 14, **Bold**

II. Second level header: Times New Roman (TNR), Font 12, **Bold**

III. Third level header: Times New Roman (TNR), Font 12, **Bold, Italicised**

IV. Fourth level header: Times New Roman (TNR), Font 12, **Bold, Italicised**, full stop.

- Headers should also be in lowercase except for the initial letter/word and proper nouns (that serve as the name for a specific place, person, or thing).

Example:

- Introduction
- Literature review
- Results and findings

**Please note that we try not to have numbering at the headers. (E.g. 1. Introduction)

8. Tables (**Table description comes before actual table**)

- Table Number. Title. Sources (optional).

Examples:

- Table 1. Exploratory factor analysis and internal structure of the scale to show dimensional evidence.
- Table 2. Exploratory factor analysis and internal structure of the scale to show dimensional evidence. SPSS.

9. Figures (**Figure description comes after figure**)

- Figure Number. Title. Sources (optional).

Example:

- Figure 2. Structural Equation model connecting awareness, perception, and utilisation of AI in research.

10. Article (MS Word) Formatting

- Full Text to be **Justified**
- No need for indentation for the first line of each paragraph
- Times New Roman, Font size 12 for content
- Line spacing: 1.5

11. Citations (APA 7)

- One author: (Zhao, 2022).
- Two authors: (Xames & Shefa, 2023).
- Three authors and more: (Limna et al., 2023).

In-text citation e.g., Rowan and Louis (2012); Thomas et al. (2014)

In-text citation e.g., Rowan (2012, p. 765) or (p. 765) page put at the end of the quote.

**Please note that there is a spacing after p. no.

12. References (APA 7)

- **Alphabetical sequence**
- **Multiple works by the same author in the references list are listed chronologically**
- **Author initials**
 - **pointed (M.F.K. Fisher)**
 - **spaced (M. F. K. Fisher)**

Website

- Author Last Name, Initials. (Year, Mth Day). *Title*. Link.

Slat, B. (2019, April 10). Whales likely impacted by the Great Pacific garbage patch. *The Ocean Cleanup*.

<https://www.theoceancleanup.com/updates/whales-likely-impacted-by-great-pacific-garbage-patch/>

Newspaper

- Author Last Name, Initials. (Year, Mth Day). Title. *Newspaper Name*. Link.

Popkin, G. (2020, August 12). Global warming could unlock carbon from tropical soil. *The New York Times*.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2020/08/12/climate/tropical-soils-climate-change.html>

Online Journal

- Author Last Name, Initials. (Year). Title. *Journal Name*, *Volume number*, (Issue number), page numbers/article number. DOI or Hyperlink.

Saura, J. R., Ribeiro-Soriano, D., & Palacios-Marqués, D. (2022). Assessing behavioral data science privacy issues in government artificial intelligence deployment. *Government Information Quarterly*, 39(4), 101679. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.giq.2022.101679>

Xames, M. D., & Shefa, J. (2023). ChatGPT for research and publication: Opportunities and challenges. *Journal of Applied Learning and Teaching*, 6(1), 390-395. <https://doi.org/10.37074/jalt.2023.6.1.20>

Rasul, T., Nair, S., Kalendra, D., Robin, M., Santini, F. O., Ladeira, W. J., Sun, M. W., Day, I., Rather, A. R., & Heathcote, L. (2023). The role of ChatGPT in higher education: Benefits, challenges, and future research directions. *Journal of Applied Learning & Teaching*, 6(1), 41-56. <https://doi.org/10.37074/jalt.2023.6.1.29>

Book

- Author last name, Initials. (Year). *Book title: Subtitle* (Edition). Publisher. DOI or URL.

Smith, T. (2020). *The citation manual for students: A quick guide* (2nd ed.). Wiley.

Book Chapter

- Author last name, Initials. (Year). Title of chapter. In Editor initials. Last name (Ed. or Eds.), *Book title: Subtitle* (pp. Page range). Publisher.

Nussbaum, M. C. (2020). Legal reasoning. In Tasioulas, J. (Ed.), *The Cambridge companion to the philosophy of law* (pp. 59–77). Cambridge University Press.

Conference Paper

- Author last name, Initials. (Year). Title of Paper. In *name of Conference* (pp. Page range). DOI

Yang, S., & Evans, C. (2019, November). Opportunities and challenges in using AI chatbots in higher education. In *Proceedings of the 2019 3rd international conference on education and e-learning* (pp. 79-83). <https://doi.org/10.1145/3371647.3371659>

Or

Talaue, F. G. (2023). Dissonance in generative AI use among student writers: How should curriculum managers respond? In *The 5th International Conference of Biospheric Harmony Advanced Research (ICOBAR 2023)* (Vol. 426, p. 01058). EDP Sciences. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1051/e3sconf/202342601058>