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Introduction

In recent years, the law review submission landscape has been rapidly changing. Since the first law review began to use Scholastica in fall 2012, over 350 law reviews have adopted the platform. With so many law reviews changing their submission methods, we know it can be difficult for authors to keep up with how law reviews prefer to receive submissions, especially since law reviews are sometimes delayed in updating their submission guidelines.

This guide is a survey of the general law reviews that now solicit articles via Scholastica instead of ExpressO as well as some resources to help authors stay up-to-date on journal openings.

Additionally, for authors new to Scholastica, we have included some submission FAQs about the differences between Scholastica and ExpressO and an overview of how Scholastica works.

To learn more about Scholastica visit our website:
www.scholasticahq.com/law-reviews
Scholastica FAQs

New to Scholastica? Here are answers to some common questions.

01 Why have law reviews been moving to Scholastica?

Scholastica offers law reviews an easier way to review the hundreds - sometimes thousands - of submissions they receive annually. Law reviews that use Scholastica can more efficiently assign submissions to be read by articles editors, standardize their reviews, and identify areas for improvement in their workflows. Additionally, Scholastica helps law reviews centralize all communications, including Discussion messages, expedite requests, and decisions on articles. Our team also offers free, personalized trainings to all law review boards to ensure editors know how to use Scholastica and have answers to general questions about author expectations and law review best practices.

Read what editors with experience using Scholastica have to say: scholasticahq.com/law-review-testimonials

02 How is Scholastica different from ExpressO for authors?

Authors can manage their submissions to over 80% of all top general law reviews on Scholastica, making it easier to keep track of publication offers and send expedites. Another differentiator between Scholastica and ExpressO is that authors can always submit an expedite on Scholastica — our platform does not ask law reviews to verify an offer before allowing an author to send an expedite request.

Find more answers here:
www.help.scholasticahq.com
Is Scholastica doing anything to encourage law reviews to send decisions for all articles?

Yes! While we can’t make editors send manuscript decisions, we have been working closely with all law review boards that use Scholastica to educate them about the importance of making decisions. We stress this during the trainings we offer all boards and via our blog.

Some journals accept submissions on Scholastica & ExpressO. Should I submit my article to the same journals on both platforms to ensure they see it?

NO!!!! Submitting on both platforms can create confusions for law review editors. Be sure to send your manuscript via each law reviews’ preferred submissions channel (if that is not clear, we recommend asking the law review).

Does Scholastica offer support for submitting authors?

Yes! You can email us at support@scholasticahq.com or live chat a customer support specialist.
Scholastica’s law review submission form is quick, informative, and simple.

1. Create a user profile, which will allow you to submit your article, contact law reviews on Scholastica, and manage your submission.

2. Once logged into Scholastica, to submit to law reviews you will click “submit a manuscript” and then click “go to submission pool.”

3. From the submission pool, you’ll be able to search and sort the list of law reviews using Scholastica, and choose which law reviews you want to receive your submission.

For step-by-step instructions on submitting to law reviews, please see our author help guide here.
Want to know some of the most common do’s and don’ts that editors look out for in law review submissions? Here’s an inside look.

We’ve spent the last few years creating a bevy of materials for legal authors and law reviews to help submission season go smoothly.

**What resources does Scholastica have for authors?**

- **The Scholastica Law Review Submissions Center:** Live-updating chart of open/closed law reviews, submission pro tips, and other author resources
- **The Scholastica help site:** Searchable help documents for any questions you have
- **#LRSubmissions:** Twitter hashtag we use to live tweet law review openings and share other law review updates
- **Law Review Article Submissions Insights:** A data-driven look into the yearly legal scholarship cycle
- **Author tip**

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Scholastica is a web-based software platform for managing law reviews with integrated article selection and publishing tools. Over 350 law reviews, including 43 of the top 50 in Washington & Lee Library’s “Law Journals: Submissions and Ranking” list, use Scholastica to manage their article selection. Scholastica helps law reviews find the articles they want to publish faster and communicate better.

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