



## SUBMISSION & STYLE GUIDELINES

### I. Length of manuscript

- **original research article:** 40 000 up to 80 000 characters;
- **case-study** of the law and practice of international courts and tribunals: 15000 up to 40 000 characters;
- **review** of a book / article / doctoral dissertation: 10 000 up to 20 000 characters.

Character count includes spaces.

### II. Formatting requirements

The article should be submitted in one file in Word format (.doc/.docx).

### III. Manuscript design

All the texts submitted must include the following the following elements:

A. **Title**

B. **The details about the author(-s)**

- Full name, position (the main employer), location of employer (city, country) academic degree, academic rank, e-mail address.
- ORCID and other identifiers, if any.

C. **Abstract** (300–350 words)

D. **Key words:** 5–8 words or combinations of words separated from each other by commas.

E. **Citation:** Smith J. *Title* // HSE Journal of International Law. 2025. Vol. X (X). P. XX–XX.

F. **The main body of the text**, including the footnotes (see Sections IV–VI of the Guidelines). The text should have a clear structure: Introduction, Sections and Subsections (if necessary), Conclusion. Sections have consecutive numeration in the following format: 1., 2., 3., etc.; subsections — “1.1”, 1.1.1, etc.

G. **References** (see Section VII of the Guidelines).

### IV. Grammar and punctuation

1) *British English v. American English*

HSE JIL adopts the UK style of grammar, spelling and date structure.

2) *Hyphen and dashes*

We kindly asked the authors to respect the grammar differences between a hyphen (-), n-dash (–), and m-dash (—).

*M-dash* is the most commonly used punctuation device among the dashes. *Hyphen* is used to join composite words, e.g. national-security strategy, nuclear-weapon program, uranium-enrichment process. Hyphens are not used with prefixes unless it separates two vowels, e.g. anti-intellectualism, meta-analysis, but nongovernmental, online.

Please, use the *n-dash* to connect numbers.

For example: The years 1993–2000; P. 359–438.

### 3) *Quotations*

- Quoted words, phrases, and sentences run into the text are enclosed in double quotation marks. Use “smart,” not straight ("...") quotation marks and apostrophes.
- When it is part of the quote, all punctuation goes inside the closing quotation marks. This includes commas, periods, question marks, and exclamation points.
- Single quotation marks enclose quotations within quotations.
- Set off and indent any quotation that is longer than five typed lines.

### 4) *Dates and numerals*

- Use day, month, year format: 10 December 1948. Please, use uppercase roman numerals to indicate centuries: XIX century.
- In general, spell out numbers one through nine, and use figures for numbers 10 and higher. If within the text of your text numbers are used sporadically, we advise spelling out all of them from zero through one hundred.
- Do not use an apostrophe before the “s” in 1950s, 1980s, etc.

### 5) *Personal names*

- To mention a person, use his or her initials standing for given names and last name. Initials are followed by a period and a space. *For example:* S. O’Leary.
- At the first mention, it is allowed to indicate the full name and surname, if such use is generally accepted. *For example:* Hugo Grotius.

### 6) *Abbreviations*

Must be spelled out on their first occurrence. *For example:* International Court of Justice (ICJ). In the case of multiple repeated use put it as follows: International Court of Justice (hereinafter — ICJ).

### 7) *Italics*

Use italics for isolated words and phrases from another language. If a word from another language becomes familiar through repeated use throughout a text, it needs be italicized only on its first occurrence. If it appears only rarely, however, italics may be retained.

Use italics for the names of cases (e.g. *Szabó and Vissy v. Hungary*).

## **V. In-Text Citation**

- The HSE JIL adopts APA Style 7 with some minor modifications.
- When citing a source in the text, indicate the part you are referring to, in particular page, in case of citing a book or an article in a journal: (Crawford, 2012, p. 5).

### In-text citation examples:

Book on whole / article in a journal / Dissertation / Newspaper article / Conference paper	Single author: (Crawford, 2012, p. 5). Two authors (Rusinova & Martynova, 2024, p. 137). Three authors, first occurrence (Bahri, Zhou, & Boklan, 2021, p. 26); subsequent occurrences: (Bahri et al., 2021, p. 26). Four and more authors: (Hufbauer et al., 2009).
Chapter/Part in a book	A single author: (Crawford, 2012, Part II). Several authors, first occurrence: (Boklan in Bahri, Zhou, & Boklan, 2021); Several authors, subsequent occurrences: (Boklan in Bakri et al., 2021)

In-text citation only applies to academic sources that should be included in the reference list. Non-scholarly sources such as legal sources, newspaper articles, online sources, etc. should be cited in **footnotes**. Indicate a particular part of the source you are referring to: paragraph, page, etc.

### Examples:

<sup>1</sup> Decision of a court/tribunal or primary/secondary legislation: *Szabó and Vissy v. Hungary* [2016] ECtHR App no 37138/142016, paras 7, 10–11.

<sup>2</sup> Newspaper articles, both paper (A.) and online versions (B.):

A. American and English Position in International Law (1863, 10 November). *The New York Times*, A 4.

B. Peltier, E. (2025, 28 January) Why are Congo and Rwanda at war? *The New York Times*. <https://www.nytimes.com/2025/01/28/world/africa/congo-m23-rwanda.htm>.

<sup>3</sup> Online-source: UN Human Rights Committee (2018, 29 March). *Concluding observations on the sixth periodic report of Hungary* CCPR/C/HUN/CO/6. URL: [https://tbinternet.ohchr.org/\\_layouts/treatybodyexternal/Download.aspx?symbolno=CCPR/C/HUN/CO/6&Lang=En](https://tbinternet.ohchr.org/_layouts/treatybodyexternal/Download.aspx?symbolno=CCPR/C/HUN/CO/6&Lang=En)

## VII. Tables and figures

If the text submitted is accompanied by tables and/or figures (graphs, charts, etc.), we kindly ask authors to provide us with the originals created in Microsoft Word or Excel.

Tables should be placed next to the relevant text in the article. Number tables consecutively in accordance with their appearance in the text and place any table notes below the table body. If you are adapting or reprinting a table or figure that was originally published by someone else, you will need to provide a copyright statement beneath the table or figure as well as include a corresponding reference entry.

## VII. References

All references need to be in APA Style before the manuscript can go into copyediting and will be returned to the author if the formatting is not complete.

The References list includes all scholarly sources cited by the author in the article. If your reference has a doi, include it (**IT IS MANDATORY**) as a hyperlink in the following format: <https://doi.org/...>

The list is arranged in alphabetical order. Each source in the list is assigned a sequential number. If Russian-language sources or sources in languages that do not use the Latin alphabet were used in the preparation of the article, such sources are placed at the beginning of the list in alphabetical order. Below the description of the source in the original language, its description in English is provided. After the English description, the DOI is indicated (if available). Both original and English descriptions constitute a single point (not to separate points) of the Reference:

1. Толстых В. Л. (2021). Covid-19 и международное право: общие вопросы. *Московский журнал международного права*, 3, 45–62.  
Tolstykh V. L. (2021). Covid-19 and international law: general issues. *Moscow journal of international law*, 3, 45–62. <https://doi.org/10.24833/08690049-2021-3-45-62>

Examples:

NB: Capitalise only the first word in the title of a source.

Book	<p>Single author: Crawford, J. (2012). <i>Brownlie's principles of public international law</i> (8th ed.). Oxford University Press. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1163/157365104X00143">https://doi.org/10.1163/157365104X00143</a></p> <p>Several authors: Hufbauer, G. C., Schott, J. J., Elliot, K. A., &amp; Oegg, B. (2009). <i>Economic sanctions reconsidered</i> (3rd ed.) Peterson Institute for International Economics (PIIE).</p> <p>NB: To describe a book with several authors in Reference list all the second names accompanied by the first names' initials without using "et al."</p>
Chapter in an edited book	<p>Boklan, D. (2021). Combating climate change under the WTO: exploring the relevance of process and production methods. In A. Bahri, W. Zhou, D. Boklan (Eds.) <i>Rethinking, repackaging and rescuing world trade law in the post-pandemic era</i>. (pp. 131–148). Hart Publishing. <a href="https://doi.org/10.5040/9781509951727.ch-008">https://doi.org/10.5040/9781509951727.ch-008</a></p>
An article in a journal	<p>Rusinova, V., &amp; Martynova, E. (2024). Fighting cyber attacks with sanctions: digital threats, economic responses. <i>Israel Law Review</i>, 57(1), 135–174. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1017/S0021223722000255">https://doi.org/10.1017/S0021223722000255</a></p>
Online source	<p>UN Human Rights Committee (2018, 29 March). <i>Concluding observations on the sixth periodic report of Hungary</i> CCPR/C/HUN/CO/6. <a href="https://tbinternet.ohchr.org/_layouts/treatybodyexternal/Download.aspx?s">https://tbinternet.ohchr.org/_layouts/treatybodyexternal/Download.aspx?s</a></p>

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Newspaper article	<p>Paper edition: American and English Position in International Law (1863, 10 November). <i>The New York Times</i>, A 4.</p> <p>Online edition: Peltier, E. (2025, 28 January) Why are Congo and Rwanda at war? <i>The New York Times</i>.</p> <p><a href="https://www.nytimes.com/2025/01/28/world/africa/congo-m23-rwanda.html">https://www.nytimes.com/2025/01/28/world/africa/congo-m23-rwanda.html</a></p>
Conference paper	<p>Teng, Y.-S. (2021, 4 March). Rethinking the Topics and Issues in International Law Teaching [Online-conference presentation thesis]. TRILA, 4 March, Zoom.</p> <p><a href="https://cil.nus.edu.sg/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/Yean-Sen-Teng-Rethinking-the-Topics-and-Issues-in-International-Law-Teaching.pdf">https://cil.nus.edu.sg/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/Yean-Sen-Teng-Rethinking-the-Topics-and-Issues-in-International-Law-Teaching.pdf</a></p>