

SIMPLE BOOK REVIEW GUIDELINES

- The electronic version of the review shall be sent to the associate editor-in-chief to book reviews (recension@rqdi.org) **no later than 4 weeks after the book is delivered**. After this deadline, the latter must be returned to RQDI office to be assigned to a new author.
- The review must be written in **WORD** (.doc) format, **Times New Roman** police, size **12**, and **double-spaced**.
- The **maximum length** for a simple book review is **4 to 6 pages** (1000 to 1500 words).
- The book review is essentially descriptive but must include a **critical** commentary. It normally adopts the following structure:

- > **Introduction** – short presentation / contextualisation of the book *i.e.* where does it stand in literature? Link with actuality? Information regarding the author must be included in this part (1-2 lines). Methodology must be outlined at this stage as well (1-2 paragraphs).
- > **Thesis** – presentation of the central argument or thesis defended by the author (1-2 paragraphs)
- > **Subject break-down** – presentation of the demonstration by the author and of subsidiary arguments/thesis/hypothesis. One idea by paragraph. (3-4 pages)
- > **Critic** – Critical commentary on form and content (1 paragraph minimum)

*** Checklist of elements to be included and a commented book review model are attached to this document.

- References and citations must respect the rules set by the *Canadian Guide to Uniform Legal Reference*, 6th ed., Scarborough, Carswell, 2006.
- Proposed manuscripts will be submit to internal and external evaluation proceedings. The committee responsible for the scientific quality of book reviews can:
 - ➔ Refuse the review;
 - ➔ Accept the review subject to modifications (major or minor);
 - ➔ Accept the review without modifications.

Moreover, the committee may, with the editor-in-chief, to its discretion, publish the review either in the printed (official) edition of the Review or on the website.

- Once their book review accepted for publication, authors shall duly signed the **copyrights cession contract** and shall send it to the associate editor-in-chief to book reviews. This written statement authorises RQDI to edit their manuscript.

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Checklist of elements to be included in a simple book review (For information purpose only)

Author	<input type="checkbox"/> Institution(s) to which he/she is attached, <input type="checkbox"/> Contribution(s) to the field of study; et, <input type="checkbox"/> Other relevant information
Book	<input type="checkbox"/> Book type (manual, essay, etc.); <input type="checkbox"/> Is this a re-edition or a revision?; <input type="checkbox"/> Target audience; <input type="checkbox"/> Theoretical framework; <input type="checkbox"/> Link with actuality; et, <input type="checkbox"/> Other relevant information
Central issues	<input type="checkbox"/> Importance, relevance of the subject; <input type="checkbox"/> Goals pursued by the author; <input type="checkbox"/> Perspective taken by the author
Methodology	<input type="checkbox"/> Particular methodology, if need be; <input type="checkbox"/> Sources used
Structure	<input type="checkbox"/> How the plan is layed out?; <input type="checkbox"/> Is there any annexes/graphics/tables?; <input type="checkbox"/> Is there any commented bibliography?
Content	<input type="checkbox"/> Principal arguments and demonstrations; <input type="checkbox"/> Established links between different sections; <input type="checkbox"/> Conclusions
Critical comment	<input type="checkbox"/> Critical comment on form and content