Landmarks: The Journal of Undergraduate Geography

2023 issue Call for Submissions

The Toronto Undergraduate Geography Society (TUGS) is excited to announce our call for paper submissions for the eighth annual edition of *Landmarks: The Journal of Undergraduate Geography*. Landmarks is a peer-reviewed publication featuring some of the outstanding work by our undergraduate students across four streams of geography: *Human, Physical, Environmental, and Geographic Information Systems*.

This is a terrific opportunity to share your work and gain experience with the process of editing for publication. Additionally, it will allow people from different research areas to read and gain exposure to your work.

To check out previous issues, visit https://landmarksjournal.geog.utoronto.ca (the website will be updated shortly!).

If you are interested in submitting, please review the following criteria before sending your paper.

Submissions

Three broadly defined types of publications will be accepted (see below). We are particularly interested in submissions stemming from GGR, JGU, JIG, and JGE courses at the 200 level or above.

Where applicable, all papers should include comprehensive in-text citations and a reference list or bibliography that is consistently formatted according to a standard academic reference style.

1. Research Reports – suggested range of 1500-2500 words
● These are typically a version of a culminating term paper that has entailed significant research, drawing on primary and/or secondary sources. Depending on the field and subject matter, papers may also include the manipulation of data in the form of modeling, charts, graphs, tables, or maps.

2. Opinion/Reflection Papers – suggested range of 1000-1500 words
● These may take a variety of different forms but are fundamentally textual and should clearly express and support an argument.

3. Visual storytelling
● We are including this new category in our 2023 issue: photo essays, graphic non-fiction, cartography, and so on. These should stem from coursework.

Peer Review Process

The *Landmarks* peer review process entails several stages.

- All submissions are initially screened by the Managing Editor and Editor-in-Chief for the basic submission criteria.
- All submissions meeting the basic requirements are then distributed for "blind peer review" in which an anonymous version of the paper is reviewed by a minimum of two Editors.
- Papers are selected for inclusion in the journal based on recommendations from the reviewers. All selected papers must then undergo a two-stage editing process that consists of the following:
    - a one-on-one review meeting between the author and an assigned Editor from an appropriate stream, and
    - a final copy-editing review overseen by the Managing Editor. Authors must complete both editing stages for their papers to be included for final publication.

Author Guidelines

All papers must be submitted via email to landmarks.journal@gmail.com with the following:

- Subject heading: "Landmarks Submission [Author Last Name] – [Paper Title]"
- A short note on the context from which the submission derives (course name,
- semester, instructor if applicable)
- An attached .doc or .docx version of the submission. Do not submit .pdf files
- It is expected that the author(s) will have completed preliminary editing prior to submission. Please note that, if your paper is selected, the following edits will be required for publication to occur:
    - Edits of content, structure, and style that take into consideration the feedback from the assigned Editor

- Final copyedits based on feedback from the assigned Editor and the Managing Editor, including attention to proper formatting and APA citation style

Please direct any questions/inquiries to landmarks.journal@gmail.com.