Documentation syntax

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General

- Only <u>underline</u>, **bold** and *italicize* to show emphasis
- Spell-check before final submission
- Do not include page numbers
 - o If you need to reference a page number, use the format:
 - REPLACE_PAGE_NUMBER_<KEYWORD>
- If a section is split into separate pages, do not add any extra spaces before or after text to force text onto the next page
- Margins: 2.54 cm
- Line spacing: 1.15

Paragraph

- No indentation for first line
- Size: 12
- Font: Times New Roman
- Colour: Black
- Alignment: Justify
- Spacing

o After: 10 pt

o Left: 0 cm (Not including indents)

o Right 0 cm

o Before: 0 pt

Headings

- Style: Sentence format (APA suggested)
- Example:
 - o This is a proper heading
 - o This is Not a Proper Heading
- Heading 1
 - o Size: 24
 - o Numbered: Yes (Final version only)
 - o Space after: Always
- Heading 2
 - o Size: 18
 - o Numbered: Yes (Final version only)
 - o Single space after: Always
- Heading 3

- o Size: 16
- o Numbered: Yes (Final version only)
- o Single space after: Always
- Heading 4
 - o Size: 14
 - o Numbered: No
 - o Single space after: Only if preceding another header (ie. Header 5)
- Heading 5
 - o Size: 12
 - o Numbered: No
 - o Style: Bolded
 - Try to only use for table headings
- Reference:
 - o Heading 1
 - o Heading 2
 - o Heading 3
 - o Heading 4
 - Heading 5

Tables

- NO BOTTOM PARAGRAPH SPACING (0 PT)
- Vertical alignment: Center
- Horizontal alignment: Left (if appropriate; otherwise, Right or Center)
- Margins
 - o Top: 0 cm
 - o Left: 0.19 cm
 - o Bottom: 0 cm
 - o Right: 0.19 cm
- Headings: Heading 5
- AutoFit: Window
- Example:

Title	Title	Title	Title	Title
Lorem ipsum dolor sit amet	1	2	Lorem	10

Lists

- Level 1
 - o Level 2

• Level 3

Appendices

- Label appendices in the following format:
- Appendix REPLACE_APPENDIX_<KEYWORD>

Citations

- Always cite where you got something from
 - o Both in-text and on a references page
- APA format
- Citation tool: http://www.bibme.org/ (If you need it)
- References page
 - o Hanging paragraph indentation style
 - o Include either in separate document or as the last page, please

Revisions

• Template:

Date	Author	Reason
YYYY/MM/DD	John Doe	First draft

Example

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Heading 2

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