

My APA template for Plymouth University

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Abstract

This is my template that can be used for assignments. It is not done...obiously. I still need to learn how to use zotero and latex. I should also figure out how to get some basic spellchecking stuff done in the editor. Maybe I should do some online course on lynda.com on how to review your grammar. Though, my grammar is quite alright.

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Here, I can write my introduction. A long empirical review in a literature coupled with identifying the gap that I am filling with my research.

Is it going to be a new paragraph? Whitespace signals a new paragraph. Make sure, that line-wrapping is enabled. But, it is more important, that you make the source-code readable.

It is very important to compare the ‘manuscript’ version of this document with the final ‘journal’ view. Using \LaTeX we can go back and forth between these two formats with ease. Tables and Figures need to appear at the end of the manuscript version, even though they appear embedded in the middle of the printed version.

But you also have to put in some source code, because you did some simulation and thought: ‘I might explain what is happening here’.

Experiment 1

Here is the first section. It can be one of the experiments you have done or the Method or anything.

Method

This is how a Subsection looks like. The “method” is a subsection of the experimental presentation in which all the details of setting up and conducting the experiment are described. There are a number of more or less standard components to a method, shown below.

Participants. Lab animals.

Apparatus. Laser pointer.

Procedure. I have don this to them.

Results

Here you show what your results are.

Discussion

This is a specific discussion relevant to the outcome of experiment 1.

General Discussion

This is a discussion on what your results imply, what is its place in the bigger picture and what is next.

Bibliography stuff. It is important to note that books (?, ?) are cited in the bibliography differently than chapters (?, ?) or articles (?, ?). The specific rules for citations are complicated, but actually are included in such bibliographic tools as the open source format BibTeX (which can be used by L^AT_EX using the apa.cite commands) or the commercial program EndNote. For Northwestern students, EndNote may be downloaded for personal use. The official guide to how to include references is the APA style manual (?, ?), but “cheat sheets” may be found on the web by searching for ‘APA style’.

The final paragraph of the discussion section is the *take home message*. Tell us once again how and why your results are important.

Table 1

Some numbers that could be experimental data.

Factor 1	Factor 2	
	Condition A	Condition B
First	586 (231)	649 (255)
	2.2	7.5
Second	590 (195)	623 (231)
	2.8	2.5

Figure 1. Alternatively, the figure can be made a large figure by using the `figure*` command. This figure was generated using the R statistics and graphics program. This is a demonstration of a ‘notched boxplot’ for ten samples taken from a normal distribution, and ten taken from a mixture of two normals with different variances.