

***The Contemporary Pacific***  
**Style Guide and Manuscript Preparation**

**Abbreviations and Acronyms** Omit periods: eg, ie, Mr, Dr, PhD, MA, HMS *Dolphin*, UNESCO, SPC, JFK, O H K Spate  
 Spell out Captain, Father, Reverend, and the like.

Use acronyms sparingly. Spell out noun forms, or use alternative nouns:

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Capitalize Islanders when referring to people of the Pacific Islands

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the Japanese Foreign Ministry, the Foreign Ministry, the ministry

the United States Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, the Trust Territory, the trusteeship

the Compact of Free Association, the compact

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Bismarck Archipelago

Solomon Islands

Northern Mariana Islands

Huon Peninsula

Marakei Atoll

the Combined Fleet

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the western Pacific

some Pacific islands

the West, Westerners

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(Green 1985, 23) (Black 1978, 1980) (Brown 1987, 2:54–55) (Guy 1993, 17; Fry 1997, 12)

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**Dates and Time** 14 May 1970. Subsequently, on the fifteenth . . .

1960–1970, 1960s, the sixties (not '60s)

1980–81 (fiscal or non-calendar year)

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seven o'clock

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10 percent

4,123

7°N (latitude)

about four thousand years

two hundred canoes

nearly six million dollars

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## References

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Boas, Franz

1940 *Race, Language and Culture*. New York: Free Press.

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Chanter, Alaine

2002 Postcolonial Politics and Colonial Media Representations in New Caledonia. *Pacific Studies* 25 (3): 17–36.

Macpherson, Cluny, and La‘avasa Macpherson

2016 New Rituals for Old: Change and Competition in Samoa. *Pacific Studies* 39 (3): 311–342.

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Davidson, James W

1970 Peter Dillon: The Voyages of the Calder and St. Patrick. In *Pacific Islands Portraits*, edited by James W Davidson and Deryck Scarr, 9–30. Canberra: Australian National University Press.

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