## American Archivist Peer Review

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Criterion	Excellent	Good	Poor	Comments
Statement of Problem or	The theoretical or practical	The theoretical or practical	The theoretical or practical	
Purpose	problem or challenge is	problem or challenge is	problem or challenge is not	
	clearly articulated	vaguely articulated	<u>articulated</u>	
Relevance of the Topic	Highly relevant to the mission	Somewhat relevant but could	Marginally relevant to the	
	and purpose of the journal	be strengthened with greater	goals of the journal	
		context		
Importance of the Topic	Great importance to	Somewhat important to	Not likely to advance thought	
	advancing thought on archival	advancing thought on archival	on archival principles and	
	principles and practices	principles and practices	practices	
Contribution to the Literature	Provides significant original	Provides contributions that	Does not provide new	
	contributions to the literature	advance the literature in	contributions to the existing	
		important ways	literature	
Organization	Coherent and logical	Acceptable arrangement of	<u>Unclear</u> / confusing	
	arrangement of supporting	ideas	arrangement of ideas and	
	points		supporting points	
Drawing and Building Upon	Provides an <u>excellent</u>	Provides an <u>adequate</u>	Provides a poor summary of	
Relevant Literature	summary of the major points	summary of the major points	the major points in the	
	in the relevant literature	in the relevant literature	relevant literature	
Methodology and Discussion	Uses a <u>highly appropriate or</u>	Uses an <u>adequate research</u>	Uses and inappropriate	
	innovative research	methodology and/or evidence	methodology and/or contains	
	methodology and/or	and reasoning, with some	major problems with the	
	thoroughly develops major	issues needing attention or	quality of the evidence and	
	points with suitable evidence	further development	reasoning	
	and solid reasoning			
Conclusion	Well-rounded conclusion with	General conclusion without	Missing or <u>inadequate</u>	
	justification from evidence	sufficient justification from	conclusion	
	presented	evidence presented		
Mechanics	Few to no errors in usage,	Some errors in usage,	Many major errors in usage,	
	spelling, and punctuation	spelling, and punctuation	spelling, and punctuation	
Citations	Few to no errors in citation	Some errors in citation and	Many errors in citation and	
	and reference format	reference format	reference format	

Recommendation:
Accept. The article is acceptable for publication. Minor corrections may need to be made.
Revise and Resubmit. The article is not acceptable as submitted. Encourage the author to revise and resubmit.
Reject. The article does not merit publication.
Additional Comments: