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Order of Information in Submission

- 1. Title of article
- 2. Name of author(s)
- 3. Text of article with references to source material in APA parenthetic notes
- 4. References for source material in APA format
- 5. Institutional affiliation, job title, and contact information for author(s). *Preferred format: Name (email address) is Title at Institution.*

Text Format Requirements

- 1. Use 12-point Times New Roman for all text.
- 2. Submit files as Word (.doc) or Rich Text File (.rtf) documents, either as attachments or on disk if sending via USPS.
- 3. Save files with distinctive names (i.e., your last name, or a word or phrase specific to the article content) rather than with generic ones which anyone might use (i.e., indianalibrariesarticle.doc or reference.doc).
- 4. Single space content within paragraphs; double space content between title and body of paper, between sub-headings and subsequent paragraphs, between paragraphs, and between items in the References list.

See Also:

- 1. The Librarian's Guide to Writing for Publication (Scarecrow Press: 2004)
- 2. APA Style Home at www.apastyle.org

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CORRECTION

Past issues of *Indiana Libraries* listed the ISSN as 0275-77X. This ISSN is incorrect. The correct ISSN is 0275-777X.

Discussion Questions

- 1. Why is the stereotype image of the librarian so dominant in people's minds?
- 2. Is there any truth to the stereotype image of the librarian?
- 3. A lot of time and energy has been spent in our profession defining and fighting this stereotype. Is it worth the effort?
- 4. Are the majority of depictions of the profession in the cinema positive or negative?
- 5. What personality traits are usually assigned to members of our profession?
- 6. Can the profession use the stereotype as a tool to market our skills in the 21st century?
- 7. What is the role of the librarian in today's society?
- 8. How do you accurately describe a librarian?

