



Call for Article Proposals
Deadline Round 1 - December 10, 2018
Deadline Round 2 - January 13, 2019

**We are accepting article proposals for our Spring 2019 Edition.
Submit yours now!**

WHAT IS THE LAPJ?

The **Latin America Policy Journal (LAPJ)** is a student-led publication at the Harvard John F. Kennedy School of Government (HKS) that brings together students, faculty members, policymakers, and practitioners, who share their views on the most pressing problems of the Americas. Discussion topics come from a variety of areas such as policy, economics, culture, development, politics, foreign affairs, among others. **The LAPJ intends to start a spirited conversation between the Harvard community and key stakeholders in the region. We invite students to use the Journal as a window to express their opinions, advocate for their ideals, and learn from new and different perspectives.**

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF OUR PUBLICATION?

The eighth edition of the LAPJ will focus on the notion of **Disruptive Forces**. The edition will seek to reflect a region facing challenges whose consequences are likely to imply less incremental changes than sudden shifts. We are accepting pieces that put the most outstanding policy and political dynamics observed in the region at the core of the analysis. Here is a suggested list of topics that we encourage you to consider when preparing your article:

1. Regional Leadership and the Future of Latin American Multilateral Organizations
2. Macroeconomic Stability under Political Turmoil
3. Venezuela after Maduro: When, How and Who?
4. Elections after the Right Turn in Latin America
5. Sustainable Social Policy and Social Security Reform under Fiscal Consolidation
6. The Rise of the Gender Agenda in the Policy Debate
7. Refugees and Economic Migrants: Economic and Political Implications
8. The Costs of Bad Governance and Disruptive Approaches to Fight Corruption
9. Rise of the Cities: Policy Innovation in Local Governments
10. Political Institutions in the Age of Social Media and New Modalities for Participation
11. Political Crisis in Nicaragua: Roots and Scenarios
12. Power Competition in LATAM under Trump's Presidency and China's Ascent
13. Boosting Productivity to Advance Long-Term Growth

Note: the list above aims at providing some guidelines, it is non compulsory. So feel free to submit your proposal even if the subject of study doesn't fit in any of these categories.

WHAT ARE THE SELECTION CRITERIA?

The best pieces will be selected based on (i) the relevance of the topic; (ii) originality, sophistication, and style of the argument(s) and (iii) the contribution to scholarship and policy-making on Latin American issues.

HOW TO PUBLISH AN ARTICLE?

All pieces must be original, unpublished, and should be in accordance to the theme of this publication. Articles are to be submitted in English. We strongly encourage submissions from writers of all backgrounds, including scholars, policy makers, civil servants, journalists, advocates, and students. Pieces should fit into one of the categories outlined below and respect the corresponding format:

Research Papers

- **1,500 - 3,000 words** | Double-spaced pages | Font size: 11
- Include a title and the name of the author
- Include an abstract (100 words max.)
- Include a short bio of the author at the end (100 words max.)
- All figures must be readable when printed in black and white and should be submitted as separate files. Please submit no more than 4 figures or tables
- Citations: use endnotes. Chicago Manual Style 17th Edition (full note).
- Add a Bibliography at the end

Opinion Editorial or Interviews

- **700 - 1,500 words** | Double-spaced pages | Font size: 11
- Include a title and the name of the author (interviewee when applicable)
- Include a short bio of the author at the end (100 words max.)
- All figures must be readable when printed in black and white and should be submitted as separate files. Please submit no more than 4 figures or tables
- Citations: use endnotes. Chicago Manual Style 17th Edition (full note)
- Graphs, pictures, and other images are optional. Submit them as separate files

SUBMISSION PROCESS

All submissions must comply with the following in order to be considered:

- (1) Prepare your article submission in a **word document (not PDF)**.
- (2) Save it together with its complementary materials in a **zip folder**. Label the folder with your **last name**, followed by the **country/region name**, and the **topic** at hand.
(e.g. Smith_USA_migration ban)
- (3) Draft an **Email** with the subject "**LAPJ: Article Proposal - [Your Name]**". Include your full name, professional headshot, and contact details in the Email's body.
- (4) Please submit all the documents above mentioned to lapj@hks.harvard.edu by **December 10, 2018 (Round 1) or January 13, 2019 (Round 2)**.
- (5) Contact us by Email should you have any questions.

IMPORTANT: Authors are required to cooperate with editing and fact checking, and to comply with the journal-mandated deadlines. Authors who fail to meet these requirements may not be published.