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- Abstract in English (if the adopted language is different from English);
- Key words in English (if the adopted language is different from English);
- List of contents: the expression “Sumário:”/”Contents:”, followed by the title of each section;
- Introduction;
- Body text: divided in numbered sections;
- Conclusion;
- Bibliographic references.

Formatting

The article must comply with the Associação Brasileira de Normas Técnicas (ABNT) norms for scientific articles, namely: ABNT NBR 6022:2002 – Artigo em publicação periódica científica impressa; ABNT NBR 6023:2002 – Referências; ABNT NBR 6024:2002 – Numeração progressiva das seções de um documento escrito; ABNT NBR 6027:2002 – Sumário; ABNT NBR 6028:2003 – Resumo; ABNT NBR 6034:2004 – Índice; ABNT NBR 10520:2002 – Citações em documentos; ABNT NBR 12225:2004 – Lombada; ABNT NBR 12256:1992 – Apresentação de originais; ABNT NBR 14724:2011 – Trabalhos acadêmicos; ABNT NBR 15287:2011 – Projeto de Pesquisa.

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- i) Page:* A4 size, upper and left margins of width 3,0 centimeters, lower and right margins of width 2,0 centimeters, page numbers on the upper right margin;
- ii) Paragraphs:* no added spaces between paragraphs, justified text, indent of 1,0 centimeters in the first line of the paragraph;
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¹ BASTOS, Aureliano Cândido Tavares. *A província: estudo sobre a descentralização no Brazil*. Rio de Janeiro: B. L. Garnier, 1870, p. 10.

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(BASTOS, 1870, p. 10).

x) *Bibliographic references*: presented in a single list at the end of the work and in alphabetic order. Because of the journal's visual identity, the titles of the works should be highlighted in italic.

- Book: FAORO, Raymundo. *Os Donos do Poder: formação do patronato político brasileiro*. 3ª ed. São Paulo: Editora Globo, 2001.

- E-book: BASTOS, Aureliano Cândido Tavares. *A província: estudo sobre a descentralização no Brazil*. Rio de Janeiro: B. L. Garnier, 1870. Disponível em: <<http://www2.senado.gov.br/bdsf/item/id/220526>>. Acesso em: 17 ago. 2013.

- Book chapter: ROMANO, Giovanni. *Imagens da juventude na era moderna*. In: LEVI, G.; SCHMIDT, J. (Org.). *História dos jovens 2*. São Paulo: Companhia das Letras, 1996.

- Journal article: MACIEL, Adhemar Ferreira. *Amicus curiae: um instituto democrático*. *Revista de Informação Legislativa*, Brasília, v. 153, n. 2, p. 7-10, jan./mar. 2002.

- Legislation: BRASIL. *Código civil*. 46ª ed. São Paulo: Saraiva, 1995.

- Case: BRASIL. Superior Tribunal de Justiça. *Processual Penal. Habeas corpus. Constrangimento ilegal. Habeas-corpus no 181.636-1, da 6ª Câmara Cível do Tribunal de Justiça do Estado de São Paulo, Brasília, 6 de dezembro de 1994. Lex: jurisprudência do STJ e Tribunais Regionais Federais, São Paulo, v. 10, n. 103, p. 236-240, mar. 1998.*

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- Title of article: aligned to center, bold, size 12;

Example:

Mortgage in comparative law

- Titles preceding and succeeding the text – introduction, conclusion and references: not numbered, aligned to center, bold, size 12;

Example:

Introduction

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Example of section: **1 O sistema hipotecário do BGB**

Example of primary subsection: 1.1 Hipoteca do tráfico e hipoteca da garantia

Example of secondary subsection: *1.1.1 As hipotecas em garantia.*

xii) Prohibitions according to ABNT:

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