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Research Notes Guidelines

A research note is a manuscript that primarily provides empirical examples of theory-based research or methods. In comparison to an article, the research note briefly directs the reader to the applicable theory that underlies the research or method. The research or method, in turn, should inform the theory in some way, either supporting or advancing it.

Research Notes:

1. Follow the same review process as articles.
2. Are limited to 5,000 words, inclusive of the abstract, text, references, tables, figures, illustration, and appendices.
3. Include a limited description or specification of the theory.
4. Generally include fewer references than an article.
5. Should be detailed with respect to the analytic decisions and the results of the analysis.
6. Should include a discussion of the findings linking the research back to the theory and highlighting the empirical contribution to the theory.

For examples of Research Notes please see:

Paxton, Pamela and Jennifer L. Glanville. 2015. "Is Trust Rigid or Malleable? A Laboratory Experiment." *Social Psychology Quarterly* 78:194-204.

Park, Jerry, Martinez, Brandon C., Cobb, Ryon, Park, Julie J. and Erica Ryu Wong. 2015. "Exceptional Outgroup Stereotypes and White Racial Inequality Attitudes toward Asian Americans." *Social Psychology Quarterly* 78: 399-411.