

Author Guidelines

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Submission Guidelines

Aims & Scope

Swedish-American Studies welcomes submissions of scholarly articles examining the history of transatlantic relations through the Swedish migration experience as well as the ongoing relationship between the United States and Sweden. New and timely topics as well as new approaches to classic subjects are welcome. Articles should be written for an informed but non-specialist audience and contain minimal jargon. A clear thesis statement and organizational structure should develop and follow a central storyline through to a well evaluated conclusion. Articles and manuscripts that have been previously published or are being considered for publication elsewhere will not be accepted as peer review submissions.

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Submissions

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- Your CV

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