

Journal Article Reviews

The purpose of these assignments is to familiarize you with refereed journals devoted to wilderness research and management. These assignments also assist in developing your skills to critically review what you have read and making connections with material you have learned in class.

Spelling & grammar

Correct spelling, grammar, punctuation, and paragraph construction are important. Avoid sentence fragments by writing in complete sentences. Edit your paper for readability.

Format

Reviews are to be approximately two to three pages in length, double-spaced, with one-inch margins all around. The text should be word-processed in 11 or 12-point font. Do not use any folders or cover sheets. If you include additional references in your reviews, you should cite the references in APA format at the end of your review.

Contents

Use Headings to organize your writing and to facilitate the evaluation of your papers.

Begin writing on the same line as each heading, as follows:

Summary: Write no more than a one paragraph summary of the article, noting any significant findings. This segment should not be more than one-fourth of your total paper.

Context: Synthesize (compare and contrast) this work with the readings and/or with what we have covered in class.

Relevance & Applicability: How is the author's or authors' work relevant to wilderness and/or protected areas management? Can the results be applied? Where? How?

Critical Evaluation: A key element to your review is to answer the question, so what? What do you think? Don't just say you whether you liked it or not – tell me why, in your informed opinion, you think so. Share your logic with the reader. For example, did it help clarify your understanding? What was omitted that would be useful? Give examples of the paper's usefulness, or identify what would make it more useful. Identify major points. That is, why are the issues and themes important?

How to cite and reference in your Journal Article Reviews:

If you use a direct quote from the paper you are reviewing: "Blah, blah, blah" (Gomez-Pompa & Kaus, 1992, p. 272).

If you are not directly quoting, but you're using the author's (authors') ideas or closely paraphrasing:

Asking how much satisfaction is enough (Tynon, 1994, p. 7) further illustrates a lack of understanding of both the construct and the literature.

If you **reference** a **different source**: Tynon and Chavez (1999) examined management issues associated with National Recreation Trails (NRTs).

If you **quote** from a **different source**:

Tynon, Chavez, and Kakoyannis (2001) determined that “crime and violence are real concerns on western Forest Service lands and not merely the result of a few highly publicized incidents” (Tynon et al., 2001, p. 23).

1st Journal article review: The Meaning of Wilderness

Choose ONE:

Gomez-Pompa, A. & Kaus, A. (1992). Taming the wilderness myth. *BioScience* 42 (4): 271-279.

Brown, G. 2002. Alaska Wilderness: Is it Exceptional? *International Journal of Wilderness*. Volume 8(2):14-18.

2nd Journal article review: Protected Areas Outside the U.S.

Choose ONE:

Herath, G. (2002). The economics and politics of wilderness conservation in Australia. *Society and Natural Resources* 15 (2): 147-159.

Lynagh, F. M. & Urich, P. B. (2002). A critical review of buffer zone theory and practice: A Philippine case study. *Society and Natural Resources* 15 (2): 129-145.

3rd Journal article review – Wilderness Recreation Use;

Choose ONE:

Farrell, T., Hall, T. E. & White, D. D. (2001). Wilderness campers' perception and evaluation of campsite impacts. *Journal of Leisure Research* 33 (3): 229-250.

Landres, P., Meyer, S., & Matthews, S. (2001). The Wilderness Act and fish stocking:
An overview of legislation, judicial interpretation, and agency implementation.
Ecosystems 4: 287-295.