



Guidelines for Reviewing Article Submissions

Thank you for agreeing to serve as a reviewer for *Early Modern Women: An Interdisciplinary Journal*.

General Guidelines:

A good review will carefully and succinctly summarize the main points of the article and also endeavor to be impartial but sympathetic, honest yet fair critical judgment, applied to an assessment of the submission's strengths and weaknesses. Situate the essay in current scholarship and indicate directions for future research. Please indicate not only what the author has accomplished in her or his own discipline, but also what is useful for other disciplines. Conclude with any recommendations that you wish to share with the author, as well as your recommendation regarding publication.

In reviewing the article, please consider whether it meets the following criteria:

- * treats topic of women or gender, 1400-1750
- * appeals to readers across disciplinary and geographic boundaries
- * addresses a significant issue and is innovative in method
- * is thoroughly researched with concrete reference to scholarship in the given area
- * supports ideas with specific, credible arguments
- * offers a clear, readable presentation

Anonymous but complete transcripts of readers' reports are sent to the author. However, should you wish to include comments or recommendations for the Co-Editors separate from the review to be shared with the author, you will be able to do so via the online review form (please see below). Your advice is important to authors in revising their articles, and we ask that you provide detailed, constructive feedback, whether or not you recommend publication. We are a community of feminist scholars working together on early modern women. Thus, we hope to help those who submit essays to see clearly what they have and have not accomplished, and what they might contribute to the conversation in the field.

Please indicate whether you

1. Recommend acceptance with or without revision
2. Recommend resubmission after revision
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Thank you again for your valuable assistance. We look forward to receiving your review!