



Yale Review of International Studies

External Publishing Guide



Are you a high school student or a non-Yale undergraduate looking to get published?

If so, you're in the right spot!

If you are a Yale undergraduate, please refer to our Internal Publishing Guide found on the Submission Guidelines tab of our website.

As YRIS, we bring together a diverse community of global writers to pursue cutting-edge journalism. **We only ask that your piece be of international significance.** Here are a handful of topics our amazing staff have written about:

- Taiwan's cyber warfare strategy
- The linguistic debate over Ramen's spelling
- South Korea's home rental system
- and more!

Great, so how do I sign up?

At YRIS, we have two venues through which non-Yale students can get involved: quarterly print competitions and rolling online publication to our website. We understand this can be a confusing process so be sure to read this guide front-to-back before you decide which one to submit to!

How do I enter our competitions?

For Undergraduates: At YRIS, we hold three print competitions for non-Yale undergrads a year:

- The Global Issue = October-November
- The Winter Issue = December-February
- The Spring Issue = January-March

We encourage you to submit your piece via the form on our submission guidelines page during the window you plan to apply for.

For High schoolers: YRIS solicits pieces for its annual high school essay contest in the spring. During that period, we encourage you to submit your piece via the form on our submission guidelines page.

How do I submit an online piece? (Undergraduates Only)

If you are interested in submitting a piece for publication on our website, please use the Online Submissions Form on our website. If your piece is selected to continue, we will email you personally with any next steps.

General Formatting Guidelines

- All print submissions should be between 2,000 and 10,000 words.
- All online submissions should be approximately ~2,000 words.
- If you are citing an academic publication, use Chicago-style footnotes.

The following information applies to online submissions only:

- We are looking for **opinion pieces** that showcase your unique perspective on an issue.
- We are **not** looking for:
 - News Reports: We are not CNN. We don't have on-the-field reporters producing original news. As such, we avoid summary and exegesis.
 - Essays, Papers & Policy Reports: While the "thesis, 3 paragraph, conclusion" format might work well in a college school essay, it is not required nor recommended for our purposes. Also, try to avoid highly technical language, diagrams, and formulas.
- If you are citing an academic publication, use Chicago style footnotes.
- If you are citing anything else, hyperlink the website in the text.
 - [This](#) article is a good example of how to hyperlink

YRIS External Publishing FAQ

- Acceptable file formats are **.doc**, **.docx**, although **.doc** is preferred
- **There are no required topics for each issue**, though we do seek to have a variety of subjects and regions represented in each issue.
- We only accept undergraduate pieces, and we refer graduate students and others above the undergraduate level to the Yale Journal of International Affairs at yalejournal.org.
- Due to a high volume of submissions, **one author may only submit one paper per issue**. Pieces can be submitted even when we are not officially soliciting, and we will add them to the pool for our upcoming issue. **We will only be able to notify you if your piece was selected.**
- Submitted articles must be **previously unpublished work** by the listed author(s). We will not publish an article that has already been accepted at other journals.
- **YRIS takes plagiarism very seriously.** Submissions must represent the original work of the listed authors, and information that authors use in their article must be attributed to original sources. Submissions with multiple authors are permitted.
- YRIS reserves the right to retract any published article if our staff finds that the article does not adhere to submission guidelines.

Have Questions?

- If you have further questions, please contact yris@yira.org.