**After Empire: Guidelines for submissions to the website**

**Length**
The ideal word range will be 500-1000 words. Footnotes should be avoided if possible. If you really want to write something outside of this range, contact one of the website editors. Don’t forget a title as well!

**Tone**
This isn’t formal academic writing, so feel free to use contractions, and informal language (while staying professional, of course). Have a look at some of the blog posts on the site to see how others have pitched their voice.

**Audience**
The website and blog is intended to appeal to both academic and non-academic audiences. A helpful guide is to think about it as if you’re talking to an interested first-year undergraduate – make sure that you’ve provided clarification on any phrases that they won’t understand. If you want to provide quotes in other languages, make sure that you give an English translation as well.

**Date/area**

Ideally, we’d like submissions focused on the long tenth century (c.850 to 1050). However, we’re happy to consider posts that stretch earlier or later, as long as there still is a central point to be made about the tenth century. As for region, the project is focused on the former Carolingian Empire, but we want to set that in a broader geographical context of Europe and the wider Mediterranean area. Posts on areas further afield will be considered as well, depending on the content – get in touch with the editors to discuss your ideas.

**Content**
Really, whatever you’re interested in writing! We are happy to take short summaries of topics that interest you in your own research. This could include:

* Overviews of primary texts or artefacts you’re working on.
* Short biographies of important figures in your research.
* Summaries of questions or problems you’re facing in your own research.
* Discussions of key historical events.

We’re also very interested in reports on academic events (workshops, seminars, conferences etc), summarising what was discussed. Mini book reviews may also be considered, but again bear in mind that we are targeting a non-academic audience as well.

**Other things to include**

* A short blurb about yourself that we can put at the end of the post (this can be as simple as name and institution, or you can expand on your research interests etc if you fancy). Do include twitter handles/academia.edu linkes/website links as well if you have them. A personal photo can be added to the bio if you wish.
* Please send at least one image to illustrate your post, but make sure that images are ones that you have the right to reproduce online. Get in touch with the website editors if you need any help on this.

We are also interested in publishing news updates for those interested in tenth-century history. If you have a new publication about to be released, a conference or event coming up, or a call for papers you want advertised, please send the information through to the website editors.

You can send submissions and questions to unup10c@st-andrews.ac.uk

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