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1. Manuscript Submission

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2. Stylistic Conventions

2.1 Headings

Provide section headings and, where appropriate, subheadings. Do not begin an article with a heading (e.g. "Introduction").

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Give Japanese names in traditional order (e.g., Nishida Kitarō), except in cases when citing a Japanese author whose name has been rendered in Western format in English-language publications (e.g., Harumi Befu).

2.3 Chinese Characters/Kana

Provide characters at the first (and only the first) mention of a person, place name, literary

work, era name, or Romanized term. Do not provide characters for prefectures, islands (e.g. Hokkaido), provinces, or major cities. Do not provide characters for words found in English-language dictionaries (e.g., Shinto, kami), unless they form part of a fuller Japanese phrase or text reference

2.4 Macrons

Indicate long vowels with a macron in a standard font (ō, ū). Otherwise, use circumflexed vowels (ô, û). Provide macrons for all words apart from Anglicized ones (e.g., Shinto), and main islands and cities (Hokkaido, Honshu, Tokyo, Osaka). Omit macrons if a religious organization does so in its official English name (e.g., Rissho Kosei-kai). Retain macrons when they occur in a Japanese-language citation (e.g., Hamuro Yoriaki 葉室頼昭, '*Shintō no kokoro* 「神道」のこころ', Tokyo: Shunjūsha, * 1997). *While macrons should be retained for publisher names, it is not necessary to provide the kanji for publishers. There may be instances whereby publisher names include place names that require macrons (e.g., Tōkyō Daigaku Shuppan).

2.5 Italicization of Japanese and non-English-language terms

Italicize Japanese and non-English-language terms, except for those that are used frequently in English (e.g., Shinto, kami) or found in standard English dictionaries.

2.6 Syllables

Show syllable divisions with an apostrophe (e.g., *shin'yō*), but only if needed to avoid confusion.

2.7 Japanese/non-English-language phrases

In principle, the characters for names, terms, and places should immediately follow the Romanized version (e.g., Yasumaru Yoshio 安丸良夫, *shinbutsu bunri* 神仏分離, Hagurosan 羽黒山). This also applies to all references and footnotes. In cases of different readings, use the following abbreviations: Jp. Japanese Ch. Chinese Sk. Sanskrit

2.8 Spelling

Use American spelling (e.g. center, not centre). An exception may be made for extracted quotations where the original uses British spelling.

2.9 Use of all caps/small caps

Although the *Shūkyō kenkyū* uses small caps to indicate authors' surnames in textual references (e.g., YOSHIDA 1970, 37) and bibliographies, do not use all caps or small caps anywhere in the manuscript, except in the case of abbreviations in references (see 3.1 References d. Abbreviations). Small caps will be added as necessary during the editing process.

3. Documentation

3.1 Citations within text

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日本語の心 . Tokyo: Kōdansha. Do not italicize

Chinese characters/kana.

b. Book chapters Walthall, Anne 1991 The lifecycle of farm women in Tokugawa Japan. In *Recreating Japanese Women, 1600–1945*, ed. Bernstein, Gail Lee, 42–70. Berkeley: University of California Press. Namura Jōhaku苗村丈伯1989 Onna chōhōki女重宝記 (1692). In *Tōyoko gakuen joshi tanki daigaku josei bunka kenkyūjo sōsho: Daisanshū*東横学園女子短期大学女性文化研究所叢書第三輯 , ed. Arima Sumiko有馬澄子 , Wakasugi Tetsuo若杉哲男 , and Nishigaki Yoshiko西垣賀子 , 1–141. Tokyo: Josei Bunka Kenkyūjo.

Supply page numbers for all works cited.

c. Articles Spae, Joseph J. 1972 Dr. D. T. Suzuki on Christianity. *Japan Christian Quarterly* 38: 147–58.

Supply all volume and issue information available, and all page numbers.

d. Abbreviations Where work from a major series is being cited, it may be helpful to provide an abbreviation to cite the work in the text and footnotes. For example, the References will list the full bibliographical information in this format:

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Revised and edited by Hisamatsu Shin'ichi久松真一 , Yamaguchi Susumu山口益 , Furuta Shōkin古田紹欽 . Tokyo: Iwanami Shoten, 1999–2003.

A reference to this may appear in text as (SDZ 36: 478–79) In this case, the use of all caps to indicate the abbreviation is necessary.

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Chamberlain, Basil Hall 1912 The invention of a new religion.
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