

"The past is never dead. It's not even past." William Faulkner

NOT EVEN PAST

Guidelines for BLOG Essays

Essays for *Not Even Past* can address any historical topic of general interest. They should be written in clear, accessible, conversational language. Each blog should clearly convey the reason the topic is worth discussing and its inherent interest for a general audience.

Take a look at blog essays in the NEP [Blog](#) for a very wide variety of styles and structures. Note that some authors begin with a straightforward description of their topic and some begin with a related anecdote: which do you prefer and why?

Keep in mind our target readers: curious, educated, non-academic readers.

We hope that writing for a general audience about documents you want to use in your own research or about a subject you find interesting will help you articulate your scholarly ideas clearly and engagingly.

We try to avoid footnotes. We can add a list of sources at the end. If you must quote from a document we can add page numbers in parentheses. Avoid direct quotes from secondary sources. Try to use your own words unless an author states an idea better than anyone else can possibly do.

Essays should be approximately 500-1000 words.

You may submit them to us by email

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Please feel free to ask questions or pitch ideas!