# **GUIDELINES FOR AUTHORS**

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- Contributions accepted by *Revista de Estudios Norteamericanos* should meet the following criteria:
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  - c) revision of previously published work on the topic;
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  - f) discussion of theoretical implications and/or practical applications;
  - g) linguistic appropriateness, readability and conciseness of expression;
  - h) suitability for the aim and scope of Revista de Estudios Norteamericanos.
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OLIVER, María Antonia, and Mireia Trenchs. "Towards a Poetics of Self-Representation: Anne Bradstreet, Emily Dickinson, and Sylvia Plath." *Revista de Estudios Norteamericanos* 5 (1997): 83-99.

## • D) Web sources:

Kline, Sarah. "Bringing up Jo: Little Women and the American Nineteenth Century Conduct Book Tradition." *Domestic Godesses*, ed. Kim Wells. Web. 13<sup>th</sup> December 2011.

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