Principally Uncertain article submission guidelines

What's on your mind? What makes you curious? Submit an article!

Articles can be submitted either through the [online form](#) or as a document in *.docx*, *.doc*, *.pdf*, *.rtf*, or *.txt* format.

Article proposals include:

- A tentative title
- 100-200 word abstract
- The proposed audience for the article (or series)
- Sources (known or potential)

Writing guidelines:

- **Evidence** is required for research articles. It can be quantitative or qualitative but must be citable (or linkable).
- Article length should be between **1000-2000 words** (not counting notes).
- Articles posted on Principally Uncertain are subject to our [Terms of Service](#).

Style guidelines:

- **Title capitalization** - The first word of a title, any proper nouns, and the first word after a colon should be capitalized.
  - Example: [*This is anime-zing: The rise of the otaku nerds*](#)
- **Italics** - Movie titles, foreign words and phrases, journal titles, newspaper titles (the name of the paper), book titles.
- **Quotes needed** - Newspaper article titles, direct quotes, TV show titles, journal article titles.
- **Final punctuation in quotations** - It goes *inside* the final quote.
  - Example: He said, "What?" not he said, "What"?
- Yes, we will be using the **Oxford comma** (and [this is why](#).)
- **Citation** style can vary (you'll find inline links, Chicago, MLA, and APA around), just *be consistent within any project*.