

# ILLUSTRATION GUIDELINES

All images *must* be accompanied by:

- Captions with credit lines
- [Alt-text descriptions](#)
- A completed [design list](#)
- High-resolution TIFF, JPEG, or PNG files
- Permissions documentation
- Figure callouts in the manuscript (unless an insert is being used)

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- All image files should be submitted digitally. Please *do not* send email attachments piecemeal.
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- Digital illustrations should be submitted as individual files with the following specifications:
  - All digital images should be either TIFF, JPEG, or PNG files. PDFs may be acceptable—please send a sample for review.
  - Images must be scanned at a *minimum* resolution of 300 dpi (dots per inch) and should be *at least* 6 inches along one side. If you check the image dimensions under Properties/Details, one side should be at least 1800 pixels.
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- All print photographs should be 4" x 6" or larger. Slides should be 35 mm and all transparencies should be high quality.
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- Captions should be included with the figure callouts—see below.
- For inserts, captions must be typed in a numbered list in a separate, consolidated Word file. The numbers of the captions should correspond to the file names and figure numbers.
- Each caption should include the appropriate credit line for its respective image. Sometimes an overall credit line can be placed on the copyright page, for example when all or most of the illustrations are from the author's collection. You should cross-check permission letters for correct wording where applicable. For images with no captions or credit lines needed, indicate with *<no caption>* for clarity.
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In contrast to the earliest French settlers in Louisiana, the Acadians were a strikingly homogenous group. A full 70 percent of their ancestors came from the Poitou-Saintonge-Aunis region alone (figure 3.4), and within that group, 70 percent came from within a twenty-mile radius of a single town, Loudun, in the province of Poitou. The languages that contributed to Acadian French were Oil dialects, meaning that Acadian French arrived with a great deal in common with the French already spoken in Louisiana.

**<figure 3.4>**

Figure 3.4. Acadian origins. Darker areas indicate regions providing more settlers. Map created by the author from data in Brasseaux 2005:16–17.

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- Each table should have a callout with a table number (numbered separately from figures) and a title, and any sources or other notes should be listed below the table rather than in an endnote. Here are two examples of tables:

<Table 5.3>

Table 5.3. Mississippi Service Sector Employment		
County	Percent Growth	Percent Change
Adams	7.3	+0.72
Coahoma	14.9	+7.59
Tunica	62.5	+56.08
Washington	6.9	+0.62

Source: "Gaming in the Mississippi Economy," June 2000.

<Table 3.1>

Table 3.1 Subject Pronouns in Louisiana French and Louisiana Creole

Louisiana French		Louisiana Creole	
je	on, nous-(autres)	mo	nous
tu	vous-autres	to	vous
il (m), elle (f)	ils, ça, eux, eux-autres, eusse	li	yé

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- Keep in mind that the page size of most books is 6 x 9 inches, so graphics with text should be designed to be legible at about 5 inches wide.

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