INSTRUCTIONS FOR AUTHORS

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Form and preparation of manuscripts

1. The scheme used in the presentation of the scientific articles must contain the following sections: a general introduction; a theoretical framework and methodology; results and conclusions.

General rules of the manuscript:

- 1.1 Subscribe the manuscript in a word processor to the address http://ojs.uac.edu.co/index.php/dimensionempresarial/author/submit/1.
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- 1.3 Use times new roman font, size 12. For technical, scientific terms or another idiom use italics, without underlining them.
- 1.4 The manuscript must be written in a space and a half, without leaving extra spaces between paragraphs.
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 - 2.1 Title of the article in English, Spanish and Portuguese with a maximum of eight words in each idiom. In the title in English write a note at the end of the page that indicates the typology of the article, as indicated above, Universities where the research was developed, the residence city of the universities and your electronic address. If the article refers to an investigation you must also write it here.
 - 2.2 Name of the authors. In a footnote, each of the authors must to presenter: Maximum academic degree, professional title, type of affiliation contract (teacher, research professor, researcher, consultant.), affiliation institution, residence city of the institution and authors email.
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- 3. The general introduction can have a maximum extension of 500 words and must contain: synthesis of the research problem developed, theoretical-methodological synthesis, great findings in relation to the theoretical-methodological synthesis.
- 4. The theoretical framework is a dialogue of authors based on the hypotheses or propositions presented by them. Cited authors should be taken from articles published in high impact journals. Citations from books must correspond a research's result book. Manuals are not accepted. The theoretical framework, by large conceptual sections, should follow a chronological sequence as much as possible, this must conclude with the hypotheses or propositions that the author will develop in the article presented for evaluation. No more than two self-citations are allowed and four citations by each author. References must be presented without sustained capital letters and methodology must show the instruments with which hypotheses or propositions are going to be demonstrated.
- 5. Results. In this section, quantitative or qualitative data are provided and their processing according to the methodological presentation, must lead to conclusions regarding hypotheses or propositions.
- 6. Conclusions. space of authors reflection in which they present their interpretations of hypotheses or propositions in a creative way.
- 7. Citations and references. For the preparation of scientific articles within the presented typology APA standards are used. This structure allows, in an orderly manner, that everything they exhibit in knowledge is correctly displayed. They indicate the author (or authors) and the year of the work reviewed, among other aspects that are described in the following rules:
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The Scientific Committee is the highest instance that decides on the acceptance of the postulated articles, based on the established policies and criteria and the concepts of evaluation.

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