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- Description of the work, including its focus, scope, purpose, and/or argument; the contribution it seeks to make or need it fills; and its intended audience(s).
- Table of contents, if you have one, with brief chapter synopses if possible.
- Specific details of the planned project, including estimated length (word count), planned photos, maps, or other illustrative material, any other special features of the work, and when you expect to have a complete manuscript.
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wish your materials to be returned. Otherwise, your materials will be recycled.

- Do not send a complete manuscript unless invited to do so by a WSUP editor.
- Do not send irreplaceable materials. Send only photocopies of sample illustrations.

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Send proposal via email or mail to the appropriate acquisitions editor. Mailed proposals may also be addressed to Submissions, Wayne State University Press, 4809 Woodward Ave., Detroit, MI 48201-1309.

### **What Happens Next, and How Long Does It Take?**

Typically you will receive either an initial expression of interest or a rejection within four to eight weeks. If the editor requests your manuscript and finds that it meets his or her expectations, the next step is to have the manuscript evaluated by outside reviewers. The review process normally takes three to six months. If the manuscript is being considered for inclusion in one of our book series, the series editor and/or a member of the series advisory board will also review the manuscript. If reviewers recommend publication and the Wayne State University Press Editorial Board approves the manuscript, then we will publish the book. Publication is generally twelve to eighteen months after we've received the final, approved manuscript.

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