

Submission Guidelines for First Ascent Press, LLC

Thank you for your interest in First Ascent Press. We are a dedicated publisher of distinctive non-fiction narratives and interpretive guidebooks. We focus on visually appealing works by authors regarded as authorities in their respective endeavors.

Our interests include non-motorized sports such as ice and rock climbing, mountaineering, hiking, back country skiing, mountain biking, kayaking, and adventure travel. We also focus on interpretive and historical guides regarding the natural history, conservation, and recreation in the National Parks, Forests and other public lands.

We encourage submissions appropriate to our publishing list and mission. Please review our titles and website to garner an understanding of our level of detail and a general sense of the depth and quality of delivery we are striving for.

When submitting a book proposal, please include the following:

1. A one-page (or less) synopsis of the proposed work.
2. The book's target audience/market and an analysis of competing titles, if any.
3. Why or how is this book better than what is already on the bookshelves?
4. A table of contents or outline of the entire book. Although a sample chapter is not required for the initial query, we can not give a final approval of any project until we see a sample of the book. Some projects, depending on their complexity, may require more than one sample chapter/section.
5. Information on the number, type, and quality of any photos, artwork, maps, or other illustrations proposed, along with samples (or good photocopies).
6. Data on the size and scope of the intended market/audience of the project.
7. A biographical statement of your credentials. This should explain why you are particularly qualified to undertake the proposed project. Samples of previous writing, either published or unpublished, are helpful.
8. If you request we return your materials, enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope large enough to return all submitted materials. Do not send original documents.
9. For our initial review, a hard copy of the entire submission is preferred. If we are seriously considering your proposal, an electronic version may be requested.

Mail your proposal to:
First Ascent Press, LLC
PO Box 2388
Livingston, MT 59047

We wish you the best of luck. Please allow three to five weeks for a response to your proposal. Again, thank you for your interest in First Ascent Press. **Not until a project is approved in writing is any commitment made to an author.**

Regards,
Joe Josephson, Publisher

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joe Josephson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.