A Working Paper Style Document

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Abstract

This is a very basic document for people to have a nice working paper style document, with minimal effort. I feel that this is a very nice looking document, while being fairly low on the bells and whistles—very much a nice social science document.

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1 Introduction

Paper text here! I’m writing this so we see some structure to the paragraphs. The idea of this document is to look like the nicest MS word document you’ll ever see, with 1/10th the effort.

While the first paragraph after a section heading is not indented, the following are. I like the look of that quite a bit. Most of the elements of this are easily changed. For example, to make the section headings look like the default, comment out the line

\allsectionsfont{\normalsize\itshape}

Default \LaTeX, in my opinion, does not look that good. The beauty of the program, however, is that the default is easily changed. Once changed, it is easy to apply that look to any other documents. Simply change in the options in the header and the document will look as you prefer.