## **Manuscript Instruction**

## **Review of Business**

## **Abstract Preparation**

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- Motivation. Explain why one of your peers should care to read this work.
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