## REPLACE CORRUPT STYLES IN MICROSOFT WORD FOR WINDOWS

There is a "bug" in Microsoft Word's numbering styles that may cause the style to change to a black rectangular box. This could effect any heading and appendix style.

Example: **INTRODUCTION** 

Following the two step process of copying a good style from the original base file to the normal.dotm file, and then copying it from the normal.dotm file to your document will fix this black rectangular box issue.

## **STEP 1 - OBTAINING ORIGINAL STYLE**

Have all word documents closed.

Download and open the original UDThesis unnumbered or numbered document from page 8 of: <a href="http://www1.udel.edu/it/research/files/publish/udthesis/msword/UDThesis-StyleGuidelines.pdf">http://www1.udel.edu/it/research/files/publish/udthesis/msword/UDThesis-StyleGuidelines.pdf</a>

If the styles are not showing, click the **Styles dialogue** icon to open the styles.

Click **Manage Styles** icon. (bottom of styles list) The Manage Styles dialogue window opens.

In the Manage Styles window, click **Import/Export** button. (lower left of window)

The styles Organizer window opens. The left panel has the original styles. The right is the Normal.dotm template.

- In the left panel, select the style(s) that is/are corrupt in your document.
- Click Copy to move these styles to the Normal.dotm style pane.
- Click **'Yes'** or **'Yes to all'** to replace style(s) in the Normal.dotm file.
- Click **Close** when done, the Organizer window closes.

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## STEP 2 - REPLACING STYLE IN YOUR DOCUMENT

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Click **Manage Styles** icon. (bottom of styles pane) The Manage Styles dialogue window opens.

Click Import/Export button. (lower left of window)

The style Organizer window opens. On the left is a list of your document styles. On the right is the Normal.dotm.

- From the right panel, Normal.dotm, select the style(s) you just copied to the Normal.dotm list of styles.
- Click **Copy** to move the styles to your document.
- Click '**Yes**' or '**Yes to all**' to replace the corrupted style(s) in your document.

Click the **Close** button to close the Organizer.

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