WCCC Library: APA Citation Format Guide

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Remember:

1. The References list must be on a separate sheet from the text of your paper, and it should be double spaced. Center the title “References” at the top of the paper without the quotation marks and with no underlining or bolded text.

2. Alphabetize all types of sources in one list by the first word of the citation (other than the, a, or an).

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4. Include only those sources that you cited in the text of your paper.

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Computer-Based Access

Book by One Author

References Entry Format:

Last name of author, First and middle initial of author. (Year of publication). Title of book


In-Text Citation Format: (Author’s Last Name, Year of publication).

References Entry Example:


eISBN=9781305675858

In-Text Citation Example:

(Kalat, 2017).

Book by Two or More Authors

References Entry Format:

Last name of first author, First and middle initial of first author, & Last name of second author,

First name and middle initial of second author. (Year of Publication). Title of book


In-Text Citation Format:

(First Author’s Last Name & Second Author’s Last Name, Year of Publication).
References Entry Example:


In-Text Citation Example:

(Baumeister & Bushman, 2017).

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*For three to six authors:*
- On the References page list the first author’s name, followed by a comma and the subsequent authors’ names (as above). Before the last author’s name, use &.
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**Anthology or Edited Book**

References Entry Format:


In-Text Citation Format:

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References Entry Example:


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(Jennings, 2017).
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References Entry Format:

Last name of author, First and middle initial of author. (Year book was copyrighted). Title of article or chapter. In Editor’s Last Name, Editor’s First and middle initials (Ed.), *Title of book* (edition if any) [E-reader version] (Page number(s) or chapter number). Retrieved from http://xxxxx

In-Text Citation Format:

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In-Text Citation Example:

(Carr, 2017).
Phone/Tablet App.-Based Access (Cengage Mobile)

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Publisher’s name.

In-Text Citation Format:

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References Entry Example:


Lippincott.

In-Text Citation Example:

(Dudek, 2013).

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In-Text Citation Format:

(Author’s Last Name, Year of publication)

References Entry Example:


In-Text Citation Example:

(Leninger, 1991)

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References Entry Example:


In-Text Citation Example:

(Koudsi, 2001)

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**Magazine Article**

References Entry Format:

Last name of author, First and middle initial of author. (Year, Month Day of magazine issue).

Title of article. *Title of Magazine, Volume number*(Issue number if applicable), Page number(s) of article.

In-Text Citation Format:

(Author’s Last Name, Year of publication)

References Entry Example:


In-Text Citation Example:

(Leary, 2004)

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**Newspaper Article**

*Use the abbreviation pp. or p. before the page numbers of newspaper articles*

References Entry Format:

Last name of author, First and middle initial of author. (Year, Month Day of newspaper issue).

Title of article. *Title of Newspaper*, Page number(s) of article.
In-Text Citation Format:

(Author’s Last Name, Year of publication)

References Entry Example:


In-Text Citation Example:

(O’Connor, 2004)
ONLINE SOURCES

General information:

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2. If no DOI is given, include the URL from the home page of the journal, magazine, or newspaper. Use this format [without the quotation marks]: “Retrieved from http://www.forbes.com”

3. If not all of the information needed for the citation is available (such as volume, issue number), skip to the next part of the entry.

4. No retrieval date is needed (unless your source is very fluid such as a wiki).

Online Magazine Article with No Author

References Entry Format:

Title of article. (Year, Month Day of magazine issue). Title of Magazine, Volume number if available (Issue number if available), Page number(s). doi.xxxxx or Retrieved from http://www.xxxxxx

In-Text Citation Format:

(Title of article, Year of publication)

References Entry Example:


In-Text Citation Example:

(“The Frugal Fisherman,” 2007)

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**Online Magazine Article with an Author**

References Entry Format:

Last name of author, First and middle initial of author. (Year, Month Day of magazine issue). Title of article. *Title of Magazine, Volume number*(Issue number), page number(s).

doi:xxxxxxxx if available or http://www.xxxxxx

In-Text Citation Format:

(Author’s last name, Year of publication)

References Entry Example:


In-Text Citation Example:

(Springen, 2004)

**Online Journal Article**

References Entry Format:

Last name of author, First and middle initial of author. (Year of journal issue). Title of article. *Title of Journal, Volume number*(Issue number), page number(s). doi:xxxxxxxx (If available)

In-Text Citation Format:

(Author’s last name, Year of publication)

References Entry Example:

In-Text Citation Example:
(Olivardia, Pope, Borowiecki, & Cohane, 2004)

Online Newspaper Article

References Entry Format:
Last name of author, First and middle initial of author. (Year, Month Day of newspaper issue).

Title of article. Title of Newspaper, Page number(s). doi:xxxxxxxx (if available) or
Retrieved from http://www.xxxxx.com

In-Text Citation Format:

(Author’s last name, Year of publication)

References Entry Example:
compassionately keeping patients’ families informed. Telegram & Gazette, C1. Retrieved
from http://www.telegram.com/

In-Text Citation Example:

(Cooney, 2004)

Web Site

References Entry Format:
Last name of author, First and middle initial of author OR Name of organization. (Year, Month
Day of publication or uploading). Title of web page. Retrieved from URL

In-Text Citation Format:

(Author’s last name, Year of publication)

References Entry Example:
from http://www.aids.org/atn/a-402003.html
In-Text Citation Example:
(James, 2004)

MOTION PICTURES (films, DVDs, or videos)

References Entry Format:
Last name of producer, director, or creator, First and middle initial of producer, director, or creator (Function of person cited). (Year of Copyright). Title of movie [Format]. Country of origin: Studio or distributor.

In-Text Citation Format:
(Last name of producer, director or creator, Year of publication)

References Entry Example:

In-Text Citation Example:
(Assey, Doscher & Whitinig, 1981)

PODCASTS

References Entry Format:
Last name of producer, director, or creator, First and middle initial of producer, director, or creator (Function of person cited). (Release Date). Title of the episode [Audio podcast].

Retrieved from http://www.xxxx.com

In-Text Citation Format:
(Last name of producer, director or creator, Year of release)

References Entry Example:
In-Text Citation Example:
(Rissian, 2012)

VIDEO FROM YOUTUBE

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References Entry Format:


In-Text Citation Format:

(Last name of the author, year)

References Entry Example:


In-Text Citation Example:

(Apsolon, 2011)