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General Rules

Formatting
- The preferred APA font is a serif typeface such as Times New Roman with 12-point size
- Double space between all lines of text, including the references list
- Uniform 1” margins on all sides
- Include a running head and page numbers on every page

Visit the Centennial Libraries APA Style Guide for information and resources to help you format your assignment: http://libraryguides.centennialcollege.ca/apastyleguide

References List
- Use hanging indents for the reference list entries. This means that all lines after the first line of each entry should be indented one-half inch from the margin.
- Arrange reference list entries in alphabetical order by the first word in the reference
- If the references list includes two or more entries by the same author, list them in chronological order (oldest first). For multiple entries with the same publication year, add a lower case letter (a, b, etc.) after the year, within the parentheses.
  Eg: Smith, R. (2006a)…
     Smith, R. (2006b)…
- Multiple Authors: For sources with 1-7 authors, include all author names in the reference. For sources with 8 or more authors, include the first 6 authors, followed by an ellipses (...) and the last author.
- Capitalize only the first word in the title and subtitle of articles and books. Proper nouns are also capitalized. Journal titles should have every major word capitalized.
- Italicize titles of sources that stand alone. Italicize Journal titles and volume numbers. Also italicize book titles and film titles.
- Do not italicize titles of sources that are part of another source. Do not italicize chapter titles, article titles or section titles.
- Sources cited in-text must appear in the references list and vice versa. The only exception is personal communications, which are cited in-text only.
- Electronic sources must include retrieval information
  - Include a DOI number if available
  - Include Retrieved from and the database name for sources in library databases if no DOI is available
  - Include Retrieved from and the website URL for web pages
  - Include retrieval date only for sources in which the content is expected to change over time, for example, Wikipedia entries.
APA Style Examples: References & Citations

In-text Citations
- When using another person’s thoughts, ideas or words in a direct quotation or paraphrase, you must include an in-text citation with the author’s name, publication date and page number.
  Examples:
  - Author’s name given in the sentence:
    - Lindgren (2001) reported increases in academic achievement (p. 40).
  - Author’s name not given in the sentence:
    - Academic achievement increased in all areas of study (Lindgren, 2001, p. 40).
- For electronic sources without page numbers, indicate paragraph number using the abbreviation para.
  (Meyers, 2000, para. 5).
- For citations at the end of a sentence, place the closing punctuation after the citation.
- Order two or more works within the same parentheses as they would appear in the references list, separated by a semicolon:
  Past research (Heschl, 2000, 2005; Noonan & Johnson, 2002a, 2002b; Wolkchuk et al., 2000) has shown...
- Multiple authors:
  - 1-2 authors, include all author names in every citation
  - 3-5 authors:
    - First Citation: include all author names
    - Subsequent citations: include first author followed by et al.
  - 6 or more authors, include first author name followed by et al.

Examples

Books
General Format:
Author lastname, Author initials. (Year). Book title in italics: Capitalize first word in title and subtitle. City of publication, Prov/State code: Publisher Name.

Book in Print Reference:

In-text Citation: (Jones, 2008, p. 155).

Book with Unknown Author
Use the title in place of the author’s name, follow rules for italics and capitalization.
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Reference:
All about being. (2010). Chicago, IL: Wiley.

In-text Citation: (All about being, 2010, p. 40).

Book with Corporate Author
Use the name of the organization in place of the author’s name.

In this example, the WHO is also the publisher. When author and publisher are the same, use the word Author in place of publisher name.

Reference:

In-text Citation:
If the organization has an abbreviation or acronym, indicate this in square brackets in the first citation. For subsequent citations, use the abbreviation or acronym only.

First citation: (World Health Organization [WHO], 2012).
Subsequent citations: (WHO, 2012).

Edited Book, Entire
When citing the entire work, indicate the editors’ names in place of Author names.

Reference:
Teixeira, C., & Da Rosa, V. M. P. (Eds.). Portuguese in Canada: From the sea to the city.

Toronto, ON: University of Toronto Press.

In-text Citation: (Teixeira & Da Rosa, 2000, p. 334).

Chapter or Section in an Edited Book
When citing a chapter in an edited book, include the authors of the chapter or section at the beginning of the reference, followed by year and the title of the chapter or section. The editor’s names, title of the entire book and page range for the chapter follow later in the reference.

Reference:

In-text Citation: (Cimon, 2014, p. 220).
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**References & Citations**

**Book, Republication or Translation**
Include the publication date for the original work at the end of the reference. In-text citations should include both publication dates.

For translated works, include the initials and lastname of the translator, followed by the abbreviation Trans. in parentheses following the book title.

Reference:
York, NY: Liveright Publishing Corporation. (Original work published 1921)

In-text Citation: (Freud 1921/1967).

**Book with same Author & Publisher name**
When the author name is the same as the publisher name, indicate this in the reference by writing the word Author in place of the publisher name.

Reference:

In-text Citation: (American Psychiatric Association, 2013, p. 125).

**Book Chapter from a Custom Course Pack**
You are citing the custom course pack, not the original publication in which the chapter appeared. Use either Eds. or Comps. to indicate the roles of the individuals who compiled the course pack. Include the original publication information for previously published segments at the end of the reference.

Reference:

In-text Citation: (Ignatieff, 2015, p. 215).

**Entry in a Print Encyclopedia, Known Author**
For print encyclopedia entries, include the volume and page range.

Reference:
APA Style Examples: References & Citations

Entry in an Online Encyclopedia, No Author
If there is no author given for an entry, use the title of the entry in place of author’s name. Include the name of the database or online source in a Retrieved from statement.

Reference:

In-text Citation: (“Human trafficking”, 2010).

Entry in an Online Encyclopedia, Known Author
Include a Retrieved from statement for online sources. In the example below, there are no page numbers, so the abbreviation para. indicates paragraph number.

Reference:

In-text Citation: (Vargo, 2006, para. 5).

eBook, online version of a print book
Include the database name, doi number or URL in the Retrieved from statement.

Reference:

In-text Citation: (Balgopal, 2000, p. 203).

eBook, online only
Reference:

In-text Citation: (Smith, 2011, p. 25).

Journal Articles
General Format:
Author lastname, Author initials. (Year). Title of article: Capitalize first word in title and subtitle. Journal Title in Italics: Capitalize all Major Words, volume number in italics(issue number), page range. doi or Retrieved from statement for online sources.

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Journal Article from a Print Journal
Reference:

In-text Citation: (Armstrong, 2015, p. 8).

Journal Article from an Online Journal, with a DOI
DOI stands for Digital Object Identifier. A DOI consists of a series of letters and numbers used to identify online sources. If a DOI is present, it will be visible with the other publication information on the article and in the database where the article was found.
Reference:

Subsequent citations: (Okabe et al., 2010, p. 1086).

Journal Article from an Online Journal, no DOI
When no DOI is present, include the database name in the retrieved from statement.
Reference:

First in-text citation: (Cox, Green, Hobart, Jang & Seo, 2007, p. 390).
Subsequent in-text citations: (Cox et al., 2007, p. 392).

Newspaper & Magazine Articles
General Format:
Author lastname, Author initials. (Year, Month day). Title of article: Capitalize first word in title and subtitle. Title of Newspaper in Italics: Capitalize all Major Words, pp. page range.

Article from a Print Newspaper
For daily newspapers include the publication year followed by month and day in the publication date. Use pp. for page numbers in newspaper references.
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Reference:

In-text Citation: (Walton, 2007, p. A6).

**Newspaper Article from a Database**
Include the database name in the retrieved from statement.
Reference:

In-text Citation: (Eggleton, 2015, p. A7).

**Newspaper Article from a Newspaper Website**
Include the URL in the retrieved from statement. If no page numbers are present, use the abbreviation para. to indicate paragraph number for your citation.
Reference:

In-text Citation: (Olivier, 2016, para. 2).

**Magazine Article from a Database**
For magazines published monthly, weekly or daily, include the year, month and day of publication in your reference.
Reference:

Retrieved from CPI.Q database.

In-text Citation: (Pollock, 2016, p. 42).

**Magazine Article from a Website**
Include the URL in the retrieved from statement. If there are no page numbers, use the abbreviation para. to indicate paragraph number for your citation.
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Reference:
Rhodan, M. (2016, November 2). President Obama criticizes FBI chief on disclosure of new
Hillary Clinton email probe. *Time Magazine*. Retrieved from
http://time.com/4555088/president-obama-fbi-hillary-clinton-email/

In-text Citation: (Rhodan, 2016, para. 3).

Websites & Web Pages
Use the title of the page you are citing, not the entire website. If there is no apparent publication
date for the web page, use the abbreviation n.d. to indicate no date. Beware of copyright dates
in the footer of the website, as these are often site-wide dates, and not publication dates for
individual pages.
If there are no page numbers, use the abbreviation para. to indicate paragraph number in your
in-text citations.

General Format:
Author lastname, Initials. (Year). *Title of webpage in italics: Capitalize first word in title and
subtitle*. Retrieved from URL

Web Page, Personal Author
Reference:

In-text Citation: (Smith, 2011, para. 2).

Web Page, Corporate Author
When the author of the web page is an organization or company, use the organization or
company name in place of author. If the organization or company has a well-known acronym,
indicate this in square brackets in your first in-text citation. For subsequent citations, use the
acronym only.

Reference:
World Health Organization. (2010). *Climate change and health*. Retrieved from
http://www.who.int/mediacentre/factsheets/fs266 /en /index.html

First In-text Citation: (World Health Organization [WHO], 2010, para. 4).
Subsequent Citations: (WHO, 2010, para. 6).

Web Page, No Author
It is rare that a web page will not have either a personal or a corporate author or sponsoring
organization. Consider the reliability of any sources without an author or sponsoring
organization.
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Use the page title in place of the author name. For your in-text citation, it is acceptable to use a shortened version of the title.

Reference:

In-text Citation: (*New child vaccine*, 2001, para. 3).

Section of a Web Page, Known Author
When citing a section or part of a web page, it is necessary to provide the title of both the section and the entire web page. The title of the section appears first, with the title of the entire page appearing in italics, later in the reference.

In cases where there is no known author, use the title of the section or part in place of author name. Place the title of the section in double quotes in the in-text citation.

Reference:
In-text Citation: (Health Canada, 2016, para. 2).

Reports or Documents on Websites
When you download a document or report from a website, cite the report itself, rather than the website.

Reference:
In-text Citation: (Torres, 2009, p. 4).

Blog Post
Include a format statement in square brackets for blog posts.

Reference:
In-text Citation: (Geist, 2013, para. 4).

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Wiki Entry, including Wikipedia
Wiki content changes over time, so it is impossible to include a publication date. Instead, use the abbreviation n.d. to indicate no date and add an retrieval date in the format of Month Day, Year to the retrieved from statement.

In the in-text citation, include the title of the entry or page in double quotation marks. This indicates the citation is to a section or entry in a wiki.

Reference:

In-text Citation: (“Shawn Carpenter”, n.d., para. 5).

Images
Images used in the body of your essay or assignment must be accompanied by a Figure # and a single-spaced caption. The caption is both an explanation of the figure & a figure title. Your caption should include the original source with copyright attribution for copyright protected sources. If you contacted the copyright owner for permission to use the photo, add after the copyright statement “Reprinted with permission.”

General Format:
Creator lastname, initials. (Role). (Year). Title or description of image in italics: Capitalize first word in title and subtitle [Format]. Location information for images in collections.

Retrieved from statement for online sources

Image from a Website, Known Photographer
Online image format information should indicate digital image.

Reference:

Retrieved from https://www.flickr.com/photos/stephentierney/9997909524

In-text Citation: (Tierney, 2013).

Image from a Website, Unknown Photographer
If there is no known photographer, use the image title or description in place of creator name. Follow rules for italicization and capitalization for image titles.

Reference:
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In-text Citation: (Golden Gate suspension bridge, 2014).

Table or Graph from an Online Journal Article
The creator of the graph is listed first in the reference, and the author of the article is listed later. In this example the creator of the graph is the author of the article, so the same name appears twice.

Reference:

In-text Citation: (Vanderven, 2011).

Photograph from an Online Journal Article
The photographer is listed first in the reference and the author of the article is listed later. Note that there is no date given for the photograph. We cannot presume that the photograph was taken in the same year that the article was published, therefore, without an explicit date on the photograph we use the abbreviation n.d.

Reference:

In-text Citation: (Emanuel, n.d.).

Videos
When citing films, include creator name and role information in the reference. For user created online videos from websites, include the username.

General Format:
Creator lastname, Initials (Role in the production). (Year). Title of video in italics: Capitalize first word in title and subtitle [Format]. Publication Place: Distributor or Retrieved from statement for online sources.
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**DVD Movie**
Reference:

In-text Citation: (McKay, 2015).

**Online Video from a Website: YouTube, Vimeo**
Include the username in square brackets following the author name. If the author name is not known, include the username in place of author name.
Include the date the video was posted in the format Year, Month day.
Reference:

In-text Citation: (Taylor, 2014).

**Online Video from a Library Database**
If the creator’s name is not provided, include the company or organization that provided the content in place of author name.
Reference:

In-text Citation: (Klodawsky, 1994).

**Personal Communications**
Personal communications are sources that are unpublished and not available for retrieval. These sources include emails, interviews, telephone conversations and notes you take in class.
Personal communications are included as in-text citations only, and do not appear in the references list. Indicate personal communication in the in-text citation.

General Format:
(Initials Lastname, personal communication, Month Day, Year).

**Class Materials**

**Your own class notes**
Notes you take in class are classified as personal communication, and appear only as in-text citations in your assignment. **No reference entry** is needed for personal communication.

General Format:
(Instructor initials. Instructor lastname, personal communication, Month Day, Year).

In-text Citation: (B. Jones, personal communication, September 22, 2016).
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**Lecture Slides Posted on eCentennial**
General Format:
Instructors lastname, Initials. (Year). *Title of presentation in italics: Capitalize first word in title and subtitle* [PowerPoint presentation]. Retrieved from eCentennial.

**Reference:**

**In-text Citation:** (Jones, 2010, slide 7).

**Handout Posted on eCentennial**
General Format:
Instructor's Lastname, Initials. (Year). *Title of handout in italics: Capitalize first word in title and subtitle* [Class handout]. Retrieved from eCentennial.

**Reference:**

**In-text Citation:** (Jones, 2010).

**Handout Distributed in Class**
General Format:
Instructor's Last Name, Initials. (Year). *Title of handout in italics: Capitalize first word in title and subtitle* [Class handout]. City Course is Located in, Province: College name, Course code.

**Reference:**
Jones, J. R. (2010). *Health history template* [Class handout]. Toronto, ON: Centennial College, NSE-13A.

**In-text Citation:** (Jones, 2010).

**Secondary Sources: Citing a Quotation**

APA recommends you use secondary sources sparingly, only when the original source is out of print, not available in English or unavailable through the usual sources.

When citing a quotation, your reference list will include the source you consulted, not the original source. Indicate that the citation is to a quote by including the original author's name in the sentence, and including the secondary source's author in your in-text citation with the words as cited in.
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For example, if you are using a quotation written originally by Adam Smith, but quoted in an article by Jones, use Smith’s name in your sentence, and include as cited in Jones in your citation:

According to Adam Smith (as cited in Jones, 2001)...

Reference: Only include the source you actually consulted, not the original source.

Legal Materials: Case Law & Legislation

Ask your instructor for their requirements when citing legal materials. APA recommends using the Bluebook as a guide to legal citation for American case law and legislation.

The Canadian equivalent is the Canadian Guide to Uniform Legal Citation, 8th Edition, also known as the McGill Guide. This guide is available at the Progress campus library.

For more information, consult Queen’s University Library’s Legal Citation guide: http://guides.library.queensu.ca/legal-citation