



THE AMERICAN PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION CITATION STYLE

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BASIC FORMAT GUIDELINES

HOWEVER, ALWAYS FOLLOW THE SPECIFIC DIRECTION OF YOUR INSTRUCTOR!!!



THE TITLE PAGE

- The paper title should be three-four lines down from the top of the page, centered and bolded
- One double spaced line should be left blank between the paper title and the author's name
- Next the author affiliation, for a student paper this is the institution you attend
- Underneath provide the course number and name
- Followed by the name of the course instructor
- Lastly include the assignment due date

Sample APA Style Paper

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TEXT AND IN-TEXT CITATIONS

- APA uses in-text citation when citing any ideas that are not yours
- There are two ways to use in-text citation (both can be used in the same paper)
 - 1. Parenthetical citation: both the author's name and date of publication are enclosed in parentheses which can appear either within or at the end of a sentence
 - 2. Narrative citation: the author's name appears in the text and the date of publication is included in parentheses immediately after the author's name

PARAPHRASING

- If you are paraphrasing an idea from another work, you only need to include the author's name(s) and the date of publication

- Parenthetical Example:
 - Steadfast alliances allow states to share costs and ensure collective defence (Kroenig, 2015).
- Narrative Example:
 - According to Kroenig (2015), steadfast alliances allow states to share costs and ensure collective defence.

SHORT DIRECT QUOTES

- If you are directly quoting another work you are required to provide the author's name, publication date as well as the page number(s)
- Quotations under 40 words are surrounded by quotation marks

- Parenthetical Example of a short quotation:
- It has been noted that, “China has made extraordinary advances in its cyber warfare program and still is leading in its ballistic missile programs, thereby enhancing its asymmetric power capabilities—looking to the United States at eye level or above in some areas,” (Danner, 2018, p.152).

LONG DIRECT QUOTES

- Quotes over 40 words should be put into block quotations, indented 0.5in from the left margin and still double spaced, you do not use quotation marks for block quotes
- Note that for block quotations in-text citations enclosed in parenthesis come at the end of the sentence AFTER the period

(2016, as cited in Schweller, 2018). Trump holds a very different world view to that of his predecessors. According to Schweller (2018):

Trump does reject many of the core tenets of the liberal international order, the sprawling and multifaceted system that the United States and its allies built and have supported for seven decades. Questioning the very fabric of international cooperation, he has assaulted the world trading system, reduced funding for the UN, denounced NATO, threatened to end multilateral trade agreements, called for Russia's readmission to the G-7, and scoffed at attempts to address global challenges such as climate change. (p. 134)

While one could argue that Trump will only be President for a short time and may have little lasting impact, as the President of the United States what he says particularly about foreign

REFERENCE

- The reference page should start on a separate page and should have “References” centered and bolded at the top of the page.
- References should be listed alphabetically by last name of author or organization name and if the reference continues to a second line a hanging indentation should be used.
- Include the names of the first 21 authors
- All in-text citations must have corresponding references and vice-versa
- If an electronic book or journal article is used include a doi or permalink in the citation
- If a webpage is used, include a link in the reference

REFERENCE LIST EXAMPLE

References

- Danner, L. K. (2018). *China's Grand Strategy: Contradictory Foreign Policy?* Palgrave MacMillan. <https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-65777-6>.
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Reference format for books

Author, A. A. (Year of publication). *Title of work: Subtitle*. Publisher Name. DOI (if needed)

Example:

Danner, L. K. (2018). *China's Grand Strategy: Contradictory Foreign Policy?* Palgrave MacMillan. <https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-65777-6>.

Reference format for academic journals

Author, A. A., Author, B. B., & Author, C. C. (Year). Title of article. *Title of Periodical*, volume number(issue number), pages. Link/doi

Example:

Ghosh, D., De, S., & Ghosh, D. K. (2018). Overtaking the U.S. Economy by China and India: How Sound Are the Expectations? *International Journal of Business*, 23(1), 1-16. <http://uml.idm.oclc.org/login?url=https://search-proquest-com.uml.idm.oclc.org/docview/2009156084?accountid=14569>.

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Reference format for online webpages

Last name, A. A or organization name. (Year, Month Date). *Title of page*. Site name. URL

Example:

International Committee of the Red Cross. (2016, October 29). *History of the ICRC*. ICRC.
<https://www.icrc.org/en/document/history-icrc>.

Reference format for a chapter in an edited book

Last name, A. A. (Year of Publication). Title of Chapter. In E. E. Editor Name (Ed.), *Title of Work* (pp. pages of chapter). Publisher. DOI/Link (if available).

Example:

Kimball, J. P. (2011). Richard M. Nixon and the Vietnam War: The Paradox of Disengagement with Escalation. In D. L. Anderson (Ed.), *The Columbia History of the Vietnam War* (pp. 217-243). Columbia University Press.

REFERENCE EXAMPLES

Reference format for a tweet

Last name, A. A. or organization name [@username]. (Year, Month Date). Content of the post up to the first 20 words [Tweet]. Site Name. URL.

Example:

Blinken, A. [@SecBlinken]. (2021, August 9). Only by understanding how the climate is changing can we implement the solutions to meet this crisis. The latest report [Tweet]. Twitter. <https://twitter.com/SecBlinken/status/1424708269734518785>.

USEFUL RESOURCES FOR STUDENTS

- APA Style: Style and Grammar Guidelines
 - <https://apastyle.apa.org/style-grammar-guidelines>
- Purdue Online Writing Lab APA Style (7th Edition)
 - https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/research_and_citation/apa_style/apa_style_introduction.html

SOURCES CONSULTED

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