# Citing Sources Using APA

The American Psychological Association (APA) style format is used primarily by those in the social sciences. This handout gives common examples of the format used for the list of References that appears at the end of your paper. **Remember** to alphabetize your references, use a hanging indent on second and subsequent lines, double-space your citations, and title your list, **References**. For further assistance refer to *Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association* in the Ready Reference section.

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If there’s not an author, start with the title.

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### Notes:
- **Capitalize proper nouns and the first word of the title and subtitle.** Sec. 6.29
- **Book titles, journal titles, and volume numbers are italicized.** Sec. 6.29
- **Omit the words Co., Publishers, and Inc.** Sec. 6.30
- **For US Locations give: City, State Abbreviation. For International locations give: City, Country.** Sec. 6.30
- **For articles without a DOI, include a stable URL.**
- **When no publication date, use (n.d.).** Sec. 6.28

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In-Text Citations in APA

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Citing Paraphrased information (Sec. 6.04):

Your in-text citations for paraphrased information should include the author’s last name and year of publication. Your in-text citation should go inside the period at the end of your sentence.

(Last Name, Year of Publication).

Important information is often contained in your syllabus (Jones, 2016).

Citing Directly Quoted Information (Sec. 6.03):

When quoting directly, enclose the quoted text in quotation marks and include the Author’s last name, date of publication, and page number or numbers where the information is found.

(Last Name, Year of Publication, p. Page Number).

“Assigned readings can be found in Blackboard” (Jones, 2016, p. 42).

Signal Phrases:

The author’s name isn’t required to be in the parentheses. You can instead use a signal phrase where you introduce the author in your own words before presenting the borrowed information. When you do this in APA, the year of publication should come right after the author’s name, and the page number should be in parentheses after the quote.

Jones (2016) indicates that “assigned readings and your grades can be found in Blackboard” (p. 42).

No page number? (Sec. 6.05)

If the source you’re citing doesn’t include visible page numbers, you can use paragraph (para. #) or line numbers when listed. If your source doesn’t include any visible numbers at all, you’ll need to indicate which section of the paper you have borrowed the information from and the paragraph number. You can shorted the section title if it is too long.

(Jones, 2016, Discussion Section, para. 5).


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