

APA CITATION STYLE GUIDE

When do you need to cite?

When you **quote**, **paraphrase**, or **summarize** another source in your...

- Research papers
- Slides presentations
- Speeches
- Statistics/Data
- Conversations
- Social media posts
- ...everything!

Four components of a reference list entry: **author**, **date**, **title**, **source**

Book:

Author, A. A. (Year of publication). *Title of work: Capital letter also for subtitle.* Publisher Name. DOI (if available)

Iarovici, D. (2024). *Coping on campus: Mental health and the university student.* Johns Hopkins University Press.

Journal Article:

Author, A. A., Author, B. B., & Author, C. C. (Year). **Title of article.** *Title of Journal, volume number(issue number), pages.* <https://doi.org/xx.xxx/yyyy>

Tendhar, T., Marcotte, M.A., Saikia, M.J., & de Mesquita, P.B. (2024). **Relationship of compassion for self and others to sense of well-being of college students.** *Journal of American College Health, 72(4), 1246-1254.* <https://doi-org.libaccess.fdu.edu/10.1080/07448481.2022.2074276>

Webpage:

Author, A. A. (Year, Month Date). *Title of page.* Site name. URL

Flannery, M. (2023, March 29). *The mental health crisis on college campuses.* NEA Today. <https://www.nea.org/nea-today/all-news-articles/mental-health-crisis-college-campuses>

In-Text Citations:

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(**Author, Date**)

“... because of those problems” (**Flannery, 2023**).

According to **Iarovici (2024)**...

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Why?

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CITATION SUPPORT GUIDE

Formatting Checklist:

- My paper is double spaced, Times New Roman, and 12 pt. font
- I have a title page and it is in the correct format
- My paper has a page number in the right header
- My reference list citations have a hanging indent
- My references are listed in alphabetical order
- My in-text citations match up with a reference list citation
- I have included an in-text citation each time I quote, summarize, or paraphrase another person's work in my paper

"References" title
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