

MLA CITATION STYLE GUIDE



When do you need to cite?

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

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

Four components of a citation: **author**, **title**, **source**, **date**

Book:

Last Name, First Name. *Title of Book.* City of Publication, Publisher, Publication Date.

Iarovici, Doris. *Coping on Campus: Mental Health and the University Student.* Baltimore, Johns Hopkins University Press, 2024.

In-Text Citations:

Must be included in the body of your work when referencing a source and must correspond with a reference list entry. **(Author Page)**

“... because of those problems” **(Iarovici 26)**.

According to **Iarovici... (26)**.

Journal Article:

Last Name, First Name. "Title of Article." *Title of Journal*, Volume, Issue, Year, pages, URL, Date of Access (if applicable).

Tendhar, Thupton, et al. "Relationship of Compassion for Self and Others to Sense of Well-Being of College Students." *Journal of American College Health*, vol. 72, no. 4, 2024, pp. 1246-1254, <https://doi-org.libaccess.fdu.edu/10.1080/07448481.2022.2074276>.

Webpage:

Last Name, First Name. "Title." *Website Name*, Sponsor or Publisher [include only if different from website name or author], Day Month Year, URL. Date of access (if applicable).

Flannery, Mary Ellen. "The Mental Health Crisis on College Campuses." *NEA Today*, 29 Mar. 2023, <https://www.nea.org/nea-today/all-news-articles/mental-health-crisis-college-campuses>.

Want more info?
Check out the [Purdue OWL MLA Formatting and Style Guide](#)

Why?

Citations build credibility and protect you against plagiarism accusations. It shows you're meeting academic standards and participating in the larger conversation.



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CITATION SUPPORT GUIDE

Formatting Checklist:

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

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Eisman, April. "The Media of Manipulation: Patriotism and Propaganda: Mainstream

News in the United States in the Weeks Following September 11." *Critical Quarterly*, vol. 45, nos.1-2, 2003, pp. 55-72. <https://doi.org/10.1111/1467-8705.00472>.

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Frago, Marta, et al. "The Narrative Reconstruction of 9/11 in Hollywood Films:

Independent Voice or Official Interpretation?" *Javnost - The Public*, vol. 17, no. 3, 2010, javnostthepublic.org/article/2010/3/4/.

Here Is New York: Remembering 9/11. 2001-2002. The New York Historical

Society. New York, NY.

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