

Citing Sources: APA Style



This guide only covers the basics. For more information on APA style, please consult the OKM Library website at:

<http://libraryokm.weebly.com/cite-your-sources.html>

In-Text Citations

When using another person's words, facts, or ideas in your research assignment, you need to give them credit. This is done by including the author's last name, the year of publication, and the page number in brackets following the information being paraphrased:
... (Smith, 2018, p. 14).

If you are providing a direct quotation, include the page number(s) as well:
... (Smith, 2018, p.14).

If you mention the author in your text, only the year of publication is needed in brackets:
Smith claims ... (2018, p. 14).

Two Authors

... (Smith & Green, 2017, p. 32).
Smith and Green (2017, p. 32) found ...

Three or More Authors

The first time you use the source:
... (Healey, Magner, Ritter, Kamookak, Aningmiug, Issaluk & Moffit, 2011, p. 89).

The next time you use the source, only include the name of the first author listed and add "et al." in place of the other authors.
... (Healey et al., 2016, p. 89).
Healey et al. determined . . . (2016, p. 89).

No Author

If no author is listed, use the organization name. If there is no organization, use the first word or two of the title.
... (BC Ministry of Education, 2015).
... ("Impacts," 2017).

Reference List

What is it?

- A Reference List is the last page of your research assignment. It provides a list of all the sources you referenced in your paper or used in your research. If you use someone else's words, facts, or ideas, you will need to cite them as a source.
- For each source you need to create a citation and then list the citations alphabetically by author's last name. The citations listed need to match up with the in-text citations you used throughout your research assignment.

Why is it important?

- It shows your academic integrity as a researcher by giving credit and acknowledging other people's ideas.
- If you do not give credit to sources you have referenced or used in your research assignment, this is called **plagiarism**.
- It shows your readers that you have done proper research to support your ideas.

Plagiarism is using someone's words, ideas, and thoughts as your own without giving credit to them.

Formatting Citations for a Reference List

Book (Print)

Reference List Format:

Author Last Name, First Initials. (Publication Year).
Title of Book: Subtitle also capitalized.
Place of Publication, Publisher.

Reference List Example:

Marsden, W. (2008). *Stupid to the Last Drop: How Alberta Is Bringing Environmental Armageddon to Canada (and Doesn't Seem to Care)*. Toronto, ON: Vintage Canada.

In-Text Citation Example: ... (Marsden, 2008, p. 7).

Database Article/Online Magazine Article

Reference List Format:

Author Last Name, Initials. (Publication Year).
Title of Article. *Title of Journal, volume #,*
Page #s. *Title of Database or URL.*

Reference List Example (Database Article):

Healey, G. K., Magner, K. M., Ritter, R., Kamookak, R., Aningmiuq, A., Issaluk, B., Moffit, P. (2011). Community perspectives on the impact of climate change on health in Nunavut, Canada. *Arctic*, 64(1), 89-95. Retrieved from <http://link.galegroup.com/apps/doc/A253845665/GIC?u=sd23infotrac&sid=GIC&xid=e3fa3277>

In-Text Citation Example (More than 1 author):

... (Healey, Magner, Ritter, Kamookak, Aningmiuq, Issaluk & Moffit, 2011, p. 89).

Reference List Example (Magazine Article):

Russell, Rhiannon. Running in the Age of Climate Change. *Canadian Running*, vol. 11, no. 7, 2018, pp. 46-49.

In-Text Citation Example: ... (Russell, 2018, p. 46).

Webpage

Reference List Format:

Author Last Name, First Initials. (Publication Year).
Title of Webpage. *Title of Website*, Publisher,
Retrieved from URL

Reference List Example (No Author):

Impacts of Climate Change. (2017). *Province of British Columbia*, Province of British Columbia. Retrieved from, www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/environment/climatechange/adaptation/impacts

In-Text Citation Example: ... ("Impacts," 2017).

Digital Image

Reference List Format:

Creator's Last Name, First Initials. (Role of creator).
(Year of creation). *Title of image* or description
of image. [Type of work]. Retrieved from
URL.

Reference List Example:

Cordahi, J. (2015). (2015). *How Concerned are Canadians about Climate Change?* Retrieved from <https://globalnews.ca/news/2366032/climate-change-a-low-priority-for-most-canadians-poll/>

In-Text Citation Example: ... (Cordahi, 2015).

Online Video

Reference List Format:

Author's Last Name, First Initials. [Screen name].
(Publication Date). *Title of video* [Video file].
Retrieved from URL

Reference List Example:

Goldtooth, T. (2011). *System Change Not Climate Change: Indigenous People's Perspectives*. [Video File]. Retrieved from <https://canadians.org/systemchange-indigenous>

In-Text Citation Example: ... (Goldtooth, 2011).

Reference List Example

Annotations for the Reference List Example:

- Put the Reference List page on its own page at the end of your document.
- Centre the title and do not italicize.
- Double space your document.
- Keep margins the same as the rest of your document at 1".
- Create hanging indents by indenting 0.5" the second and following lines of each source (Tab).
- Capitalize author names and all words in titles except for prepositions (on, in, of), articles (a, an, the), and conjunctions (but, and, or).
- Use italics for titles of larger works like books.

References

Cordahi, J. (2015). (2015). *How Concerned are Canadians about Climate Change?* Retrieved from <https://globalnews.ca/news/2366032/climate-change-a-low-priority-for-most-canadians-poll/>

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