



Annotated Bibliography

The documents that you consult (academic journals, popular science magazines, YouTube, podcasts etc.) need to be included in your annotated bibliography. For C-level students, at least two of the sources should be a peer-reviewed journal or scientific articles.

What is an annotated bibliography?

« An annotated bibliography provides a brief account of the available research on a given topic. It is a list of research sources that includes concise descriptions and evaluations of each source. The annotation usually contains a brief summary of content and a short analysis or evaluation. Depending on your assignment you may be asked to **reflect, summarise**, critique, **evaluate or analyse** the source.» (emphasis mine) ¹ »

For the specific purposes of this semester, you need to :

1. Give a **title** to your assignment. For example « An Annotated bibliography on »
2. Provide an **introduction (one page)**: Begin with a clear indication of your topic. At this point it may be quite general. Then describe how you went about preparing your bibliography (What kind of selection criteria did you use for the articles?) Finally, you should give a brief description of the main debates or issues that are related to your topic and indicate the direction/ specific area/ question you chose to pursue.

NB: this step will be essential to your final task: the synthesis of documents. Once it's completed, it means that basically, your intro and main arguments for your synthesis are ready to be written in details 😊

3. Bibliographic entries

For each document article, you should answer the following points :

- a) Full bibliographic citation (use CPE style see: <http://writing.wisc.edu/Handbook/DocCSE/CitationSystems.html#reflist>)²
For example:
 - **Book**: Allen C, Prior P, Hayward AC. Bacterial wilt: the disease and the *Ralstonia solanacearum* species complex. St. Paul (MN): APS Press; 2005. 508 p.
 - **Book chapter** : Allen, C. Bacteria, bioterrorism, and the geranium ladies of Guatemala. In: Cabezas AL, Reese E, Waller M, editors. Wages of empire: neoliberal policies, repression, and women's poverty. Boulder (CO): Paradigm Press; 2007. p. 169-177
 - **Journal article**: Wang Y, Zhu J, DeLuca HF. Where is the vitamin D receptor? Arch Biochem Biophys. 2012 Jul 1;523(1):123-33.
 - **Internet resource** : Stem Cell Research Oversight Committee. University of Wisconsin-Madison policy for multisite research studies using human pluripotent stem cells [Internet]. Madison (WI): University of Wisconsin-Madison; 2009 [cited 2013 Sep 12]. Available from <http://www.grad.wisc.edu/admin/committees/scro/documents/MultisiteresearchpolicyFinal.pdf>
- b) The question or problem addressed by the article = the « topic »)

¹ <https://student.unsw.edu.au/annotated-bibliography>

² Please note that some scientific journals have a citation style that differs from this.

- c) Outline the main argument of the article. (why are the authors writing the article, producing the video?)
- d) The background of the author(s) – have they already written extensively in the field?
- e) Identify any conclusions made by the author/s
- f) Present your view or reaction to the text.
- g) Any useful definitions or key ideas, in quotes, with PAGE NUMBER specified!