

LaTeX: Citations & References

UMD Guide to Reference Managers

lib.guides.umd.edu/citationtools/

BibTeX Bibliography Management Overview

www.overleaf.com/learn/latex/Bibliography_management_with_bibtex

CTAN BibTeX Documentation

ctan.org/tex-archive/biblio/bibtex/contrib/doc/

TIPS & INFORMATION:

Citation Manager Export:

- Set “label” field for all references or use default assigned
- Export from citation manager(s) to “BibTeX”
- Set file type as .bib, then move .bib file to same folder/place as .tex file (or add to bottom of .tex file)
- Check for special characters, replace with LaTeX code (i.e. ä becomes {\”a})

BibTeX Format:

- Reference export style used by any citation manager
- Reference fields included set by type: article, book, booklet, inbook, incollection, inproceedings, manual, mastersthesis, phdthesis, misc, proceedings, techreport, unpublished
- 30+ fields can be included in BibTeX citation

Citation Styles & Packages:

- If unsure of style/package, pick an example journal in your field
- Standard command is \cite{label} to add a citation, or other commands such as \citet{ } or \parencite{ } available depending on mode/package
- biblatex package has most flexibility, but requires most supplemental packages
- More documentation available from CTAN
- Typeset LaTeX then BibTeX then LaTeX for references to be properly cross referenced (for desktop distributions)

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