APA Citation Style

**Steps to Creating a Citation**

Step 1: Determine the source type.

*Is it a book, journal article, newspaper or encyclopedia entry?*

Step 2: Decide if the source is print or digital.

*Is the source from an online database, web site or a Library’s print collection?*

Step 3: Find an example citation for the source type in a citation guide.

Step 4: Use the example as a template to create your citation.

**Print vs. Digital Sources**

Bibliographic citations for print sources should contain the publisher and place of publication, while digital sources should identify the DOI or permanent URL needed to locate the source in a database.

**When you quote or paraphrase a source, there are two types of citations you must create to acknowledge and credit the work.**

1. A **parenthetical citation** placed in the text of your paper identifies the author(s), publication year, and page number that was quoted or paraphrased. See print book example below.

According to Strayer (2012), “Part of the present day Hudson channel may have been in place as early as the Jurassic period” (p. 17).

1. A **bibliographic citation** is included in your Reference List. It lists the author(s), publication year, title, and further information depending on the source type. See print book example below.

Strayer, D.L. (2012). *Hudson primer: The ecology of an iconic river*. Berkeley: University of California Press.

**APA Citation Style Examples**

**Author, A. A. (Date of Publication). Title of article. Title of Journal, volume number (issue number if available), page range. Retrieved from URL**

**Author, A. A. (Date of Publication). Title of article. Website Title. Retrieved from URL**

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| **Digital Book** | Bonnes, M. & Secchiaroli, G. *Environmental Psychology: A Psycho-Social Introduction*. [Ebrary  version]. Retrieved from http://online.library.marist.edu/login?url=  <http://site.ebrary.com/lib/marist/Doc?id=10567019> |
| **Newspaper Article from a database** | Applebome, P. (2010, May 10). Tranquility that spans the Hudson. *New York Times*. Retrieved  from http://search.proquest.com/docview/252119671?accountid=28549 |
| **Scholarly Journal Article from a database** | Norton, C., & Holguin, B. (2011).Promoting ecological health: An exploratory study of an  environmentally based program for formerly incarcerated young adults*. Ecopsychology,* 3(3),  205-212.Retrieved from http://online.library.marist.edu/login?url=  <http://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=psyh&AN=2011-24268->  005&site=ehost-live |