

# Research Paper and Project Report Criteria

# Citations and References

- A citation is a note, in a special format, in the body of your paper
- It indicates from where you obtained information which did not come from your own personal knowledge
- Anything we covered in class is considered personal knowledge, so you don't need a citation if you mention Hive or Pig in your paper
- **Include a citation when you refer to, summarize, paraphrase, or quote from another source**

# Example Citations

- One format for citations...

*Here is a sentence that acknowledges it contains information paraphrased or otherwise derived from a paper written by Sam Jones (Jones, 2010).*

(Jones, 2010) – refers to a paper in the reference list authored by Jones in 2010

- Another format for citations...

*Here is a sentence that acknowledges it contains information paraphrased or otherwise derived from a paper written by Ahmed Shah [5].*

[5] – refers to the fifth paper in the reference list

# References

- For every citation in your paper, there must be a corresponding entry in your reference list

- An example reference list might look like...

1. Derwing, T. M., Rossiter, M. J., & Munro, M. J. (2002). *Teaching native speakers to listen to foreign-accented speech. Journal of Multilingual and Multicultural Development, 23*(4), 245-259.
2. Thomas, H. K. (2004). *Training strategies for improving listeners' comprehension of foreign-accented speech (Doctoral dissertation). University of Colorado, Boulder.*

- Here is a guide showing one way to format references...

[https://libguides.cu-portland.edu/APA\\_style/references](https://libguides.cu-portland.edu/APA_style/references)

# Expectations

- No plagiarism
  - I don't expect great writing; simple sentences are fine
  - If you include a short phrase or two from a reference in your paper and "forget" to cite it, I don't get too concerned
  - If you include several sentences or more from work not your own, and they are not identified as a quote with accompanying citation, then...  
**<trust me, you do not want to know>**
- Not having proper citations and an accompanying reference list is plagiarism

# Submission Format

- I do not care what format you follow for your citations and references
  - They do not need to be letter perfect or conform 100% to MLA or some other standard, but it would be nice
- I do not care what format or font you use for your paper
  - One column or two column format are both acceptable
  - Just make lines single space
  - Word or pdf documents are both fine
  - You can include excel if you like, but explain it to me
  - Your code and data examples can be in the body of your paper or separate documents
  - If you want to provide code via github, that is ok too, just let me know how to access it