

## **Preparing a Works Cited Page**

### **MLA Format – Sample Citations**

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- **BOOK WITH A SINGLE AUTHOR**

Shepard, Roy J. Aging, Physical Activity, and Health. Champaign, IL: Human Kinetics, 1997.

- **BOOK WITH TWO OR MORE AUTHORS**

McGillivray, Alice V., Richard M. Scammon, and Rhodes Cook.  
America at the Polls, 1960-1996: Kennedy to Clinton: a Handbook  
of American Presidential Election Statistics. Washington, D.C.:  
Congressional Quarterly, 1998.

If there are more than three authors, you may name only the first and add “et al.” (“and others”) or you may give all names in full in the order in which they appear on the title page.

Fuller, Harry J., et.al. The Plant World. New York: Holt, Rinehart and  
Winston, Inc., 1972.

- **BOOK WITH AN EDITOR**

Fried, Jane, ed. Ethics for Today's Campus: New Perspectives on Education,  
Student Development, and Institutional Management. San Francisco: Jossey-  
Bass, 1997.

- **BOOK WITH TWO OR MORE EDITORS**

Rudolph, Frederick B., and Larry V. McIntire, eds. Biotechnology: Science, Engineering, and Ethical Challenges for the Twenty-First Century. Washington, D.C.: Joseph Henry Press, 1996.

- **BOOK WITHOUT AN AUTHOR**

Concise Atlas of the World. Washington, D.C.: National Geographic Society, 1997.

- **AN ARTICLE IN AN ENCYCLOPEDIA OR REFERENCE BOOK**

Gereau, Roy E. "Shamrock." The World Book Encyclopedia. 1999.

Rosenberg, Emily S. "Ella Tambussi Grasso." American National Biography. Ed. John A. Garraty and Mark C. Carnes. 24 vols. New York: Oxford University Press, 1999.

- **UNSIGNED ARTICLE IN A REFERENCE BOOK**

"Theorem." Encyclopedia Americana. 1993 ed.

- **A WORK IN AN ANTHOLOGY OR COLLECTION**

Norman, Marsha. "Getting Out." Contemporary Plays by Women. Ed. Emilie S. Kilgore. New York: Prentice-Hall, 1991. 1-66.

- **MAGAZINE ARTICLE**

**Weekly or Every Two Weeks**

Birnbaum, Jeffrey H. "The Man Who Could be President." Fortune 29 Mar. 1999: 72-80.

**Monthly or Every Two Month**

True, Margo. "Dining Out in Santa Fe." Gourmet March 1999: 102+

- **AN ANONYMOUS ARTICLE**

"The Next China Battle." Newsweek 15 Mar. 1999: 52.

- **SCHOLARLY JOURNAL ARTICLE WITH CONTINUOUS PAGINATION**

Wee, Christina C. "Risk for Valvular Heart Disease Among Users of Fenfluramine and Dexfenfluramine Who Underwent Echocardiography Before Use of Medication." JAMA The Journal of the American Medical Association 281 (1999): 308.

- **SCHOLARLY JOURNAL ARTICLE WITH SEPARATE PAGING FOR EACH ISSUE**

Rescher, Nicholas. "Collective Responsibility." Journal of Social Responsibility 29.3 (1998): 46-58.

"29.3" signifies volume 29, number 3. Add a period and the issue number directly after the volume number, without spaces.

- **NEWSPAPER**

Doctorow, E. L. "Quick Cuts: The Novel Follows Film Into a World of Fewer Words." The New York Times 15 March 1999, late ed.: E1+

- **PAMPHLETS**

Treat a pamphlet as you would a book.

The Follow-Up Letter. Weymouth, MA: Life Skills Education, 1982.

- **GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS**

United States. Dept. Of Labor. Bureau of Statistics. Dictionary of Occupational Titles. 4<sup>th</sup> ed. Washington, D.C.: GPO, 1977.

- **INTERVIEWS**

There are three types of interviews: published or recorded, broadcasts on television or radio, and interviews conducted by a researcher.

Lansbury, Angela. Interview. Off-Camera: Conversations with the Makers of Prime-Time Television. By Richard Levinson and William Link. New York: Plume-NAL, 1986. 72-86.

Morrison, Toni. Interview. All Things Considered. Natl. Public Radio. WNYC, New York. 16 Feb 1986.

**Personally Conducted Interview**

Name the person interviewed, and indicate the type of interview you conducted (personal or telephone), and the date.

Frisch, Victoria. Personal interview. 7 May 1989.

Price, Vincent. Telephone interview. 17 July 1987.

## **ELECTRONIC SOURCES**

### **• MAGAZINE OR JOURNAL ARTICLE FROM A FULL-TEXT COMPUTER DATABASE**

The citation from a full-text computer database should contain the following elements:

- Author's name: last name, first name.
- Title of article in quotation marks.
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- Name of database used, underlined.
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- Name of the library providing the service, include city and a state abbreviation.
- Date of access in the following order: day, month, and year.
- The URL of the service's home page.

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Gogarty, B. "What Exactly Is an Exact Copy? And Why It Matters When Trying to Ban Human Reproductive Cloning in Australia." Journal of Medical Ethics April 2003: 84. InfoTrac OneFile. ICONN, the Connecticut Digital Library. Manchester Community College Library, Manchester, CT. 05 Jan. 2004 <<http://www.iconn.org/>>.

Marshall, Eliot. "Panel Urges Cloning Ethics Boards." Science 03 Jan. 1997: 22. MasterFILE Premier. EBSCO. Manchester Community College Library, Manchester, CT. 07 Jan. 2004 <<http://www.epnet.com/>>.

"Underhand Ban." New Scientist 13 Dec. 2003: 4. Lexis Nexis Academic: News. Lexis Nexis. Manchester Community College Library, Manchester, CT. 09 Jan. 2004 <<http://web.lexis-nexis.com/universe/>>.

Perlman, David. "Marrow Stem Cells Have Limited Use, Study Finds Restorative Qualities Observed Only in Embryonic Matter." San Francisco Chronicle 16 Oct. 2003: A6. NewsBank NewsFile Collection. NewsBank. Manchester Community College Library, Manchester, CT.

09 Jan. 2004 <<http://www.newsbank.com/>>.

Potterf, Tina. "Some Seattle-Area Families Consider Vegetarianism in Wake of Mad Cow." Knight Ridder Tribune Business News 31 Dec. 2003: 1. ABI/INFORM Global. ProQuest. Manchester Community College Library, Manchester, CT. 09 Jan. 2004 <<http://www.umi.com/>>.

Stout, Jeffrey. "How Charity Transcends The Culture Wars." The Journal Of Religious Ethics Summer 2003: 169-80. Humanities Full Text. Wilson Web. Manchester Community College Library, Manchester, CT. 09 Jan. 2004 <<http://www.hwwilson.com/>>.

## **WORLD WIDE WEB SOURCES**

- **An Article in a Online Magazine**

Svitil, Kathy A. "Fish on Prozac." Discover 27 Dec. 2003. 12 Jan. 2004 <<http://www.discover.com/web-exclusives/fish-on-prozac1127/>>.

- **An Article in an Online Scholarly Journal**

Michel, J. Y. "Monuments in Late Elizabethan Literature: A Conservatory of Vanishing Traditions." Early Modern Literary Studies 9.2 (September 2003): 4.1-53 pars. 12 Jan. 2004 <<http://purl.oclc.org/emls/09-2/michmonu.html>>.

**NOTE:** INCLUDE PARAGRAPH NUMBERS ONLY IF THEY ARE INDICATED. 4.1-53 IN THE ABOVE EXAMPLE REFERS TO MARKED PARAGRAPH NUMBERS.

- **Organization Websites**

Prevention & Early Detection. 2006. American Cancer Society, Inc. 06 Jun. 2006 <[http://www.cancer.org/docroot/ped/ped\\_10.asp](http://www.cancer.org/docroot/ped/ped_10.asp)>.

MDA. 2005. Muscular Dystrophy Association. 09 Jun. 2006 <<http://www.mdausa.org>>.

- **Education Websites**

Suler, John. The Psychology of Cyberspace. Department of Psychology, Rider University. 09 Jun. 2006 <<http://www.rider.edu/suler/psycyber/psycyber.html>>.

Stem Cells in the Spotlight. 2006. Genetic Science Learning Center. The University of

Utah. 10 Mar. 2006 <<http://learn.genetics.utah.edu/units/stemcells>>.

- **United States Government Publication**

United States. Dept. of Justice. Office of Community Oriented Policing Services.  
Violent Crime Impact Teams (VCIT) Initiative: Focus on Partnerships. By David H. Chapman and Cynthia E. Pappas. February 2006. 09 Jun. 2006  
<<http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/mime/open.pdf?Item=1722.pdf>>.

- **Personal Home Page**

A personal home page should contain the following elements:

- The author of the web site, last name, first name.
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- Date of access.
- URL

Pirello, Christina. Christina Cooks. 12 Jan. 2004 <<http://www.christinacooks.com/>>.

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New York: Modern Language Association, 1995.

Gibaldi, Joseph. MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers. 6<sup>th</sup> ed.  
New York: Modern Language Association, 2003.

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