

WEBSITES

Entire Website:

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- The MiraCosta College Library website provides many great resources to help college students conduct quality research for their courses (<http://library.miracosta.edu>).

Article / Page on a Website WITH Author:

Author(s). Strickland, J.

Publication date. (2019, October 29).

Article / Page title. *How hackers work.*

Website. How Stuff Works.

URL <http://computer.howstuffworks.com/hacker>

APA Citation:

Strickland, J. (2019, October 29). *How hackers work.* How Stuff Works. <http://computer.howstuffworks.com/hacker>

In-text citation: A common way that hackers are able to maliciously gain access to websites is to exploit sensitive security weaknesses (Strickland, 2019).

Article / Page on a Website WITHOUT Author:

Banksy graffiti in Palestine. (2019, October 11).

<https://banksyworld.blogspot.com/>

In-text citation: Banksy has many iconic graffiti paintings in the West Bank and Gaza Strip (“Banksy Graffiti In,” 2019).

YouTube Video:

BuzzFeedBlue. (2020, May 20). *Where young Syrian refugees sleep* [Video]. YouTube.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E_kP2jMzn24

In-text citation: Many Syrian refugees have been displaced by ongoing civil unrest (BuzzFeedBlue, 2020).

MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES

Notes from Class Lecture:

Your own notes from a lecture are considered a personal communication that should be cited in the text of your paper but not in the References list. Include name of instructor, the words personal communication and the date:

The riots starting in the early hours of June 28, 1969 were the birth of the LGBT civil rights movement (S. Davis, personal communication, March 7, 2020).

Lecture in Canvas:

Davis, S. (2020). *The Stonewall riots* [Class handout].

<https://miracosta.instructure.com>

In-text Citation: According to Davis (2019) police officers stormed the Stonewall Inn during the early hours of the morning on June 28, 1969.

Work of Art on a Museum Website:

Gallagher, E. (1999). *Untitled* [Painting].

<https://www.artic.edu/artworks/184107/untitled>

In-text Citation: *Untitled* (Gallagher, 1999) uses rubber to build figures and forms that are both subtle and dramatic.

Work of Art in a Museum:

Magritte, R. (1966). *The shadows* [Painting]. San Diego, CA:

The San Diego Museum of Art.

In-text Citation: In *The Shadows*, Magritte (1966) juxtaposes a tree and a giant pipe in a typical, fantastical scene.

Film in Library Database:

Romanski, A. (Producer), & Jenkins, B. (Director). (2016).

Moonlight [Streaming video]. <https://miracosta.kanopy.com/>

In-text Citation: Romanski and Jenkins (2016) masterfully illustrate the African American LGBT experience in Miami.

APA STYLE

Citing sources requires both brief **in-text citations** and full source details on a final **References page**. For additional help consult the *Publication Manual of the APA* (7th ed.), ask a librarian, visit the MiraCosta Writing Center, or check out: library.miracosta.edu/apa

IN-TEXT CITATIONS

Placement of in-text citations varies depending on sentence structure. Include author (or abbreviated title if no author), year, and page # for quotations. Page # also encouraged - but not required - for summaries & paraphrasing.

In-Text Citation When PARAPHRASING

- According to one researcher, students learn best when they take notes (Gomez, 2020).

- Gomez (2020) found that students learn best when they take notes.

In-Text Citation When QUOTING

- According to Gomez (2020), “college students learn best when they take notes” (p. 179).

- One scholar stated that “college students learn best when they take notes” (Gomez, 2020, p. 179).

In-Text Citation for Sources with No Author

If title is italicized in references list, italicize in-text. If not italicized, give first few words of title (capitalized) in quotation marks and year:

- Communication is key to professional and romantic relationships (*Interpersonal Skills*, 2019, pp. 56-60).

- Kittens make humans significantly happier (“Kittens are Great,” 2015).

In-Text Citation for 3 or more Authors

List **et al.** after first author: (Brown et al., 2020).

On the References page for more than 20 authors, list the first 19 authors then an ellipsis (...) and final author.

CITATION ELEMENTS & EXAMPLE

Only cite available info. The most common reference examples are given here. Additional examples and information is available in the *Publication Manual of the APA* (7th ed.) or at library.miracosta.edu/apa

REFERENCES PAGE

A **References** page is the final page of a research paper and should be **alphabetized** and **double-spaced** with the header in bold. All citations longer than one line should have a **.5 inch hanging indent**. No running head is required for student papers unless an instructor requests it.

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Amazon too. *Popular Science*. <http://www.popsoci.com/>

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Reference USA.

Tjoelker, M. J., & Brown, L. M. (2017). The many faces of

climate warming. *New Phytologist*, 176(4), 739-742.

<https://doi.org/10.1111/j.14698147.2007.02279.x>

BOOKS & EBOOKS

Print Book:

Said, E. (1978). *Orientalism*. Pantheon Books.

In-text citation: Westerners have historically vilified people from the East (Said, 1978).

eBook from Library Database:

Marshall, C., & Kovacs, G. (2011). *Classics and comics*. Oxford University Press.

In-text citation: Many comic book heroes seen in current movies are based on Greek gods (Marshall & Kovacs, 2011).

Essay / Chapter from eBook in Library Database:

Smith, B. L., & Levitt, H. M. (2008). Transgender. In W. A. Darity, Jr. (Ed.), *International encyclopedia of the social sciences* (2nd ed., Vol. 8, pp. 431-432). Macmillan Reference USA.

In-text citation: Most medical doctors agree that a child's gender identity and "assigned gender at birth" (Smith & Levitt, 2008, p. 431) may be different.

eBook in Google Books:

Vargas, Z. (2015). *Labor rights are civil rights: Mexican American workers in twentieth-century America*. Princeton University Press.

In-text citation: In the early 1930s "aggressive and hostile attitudes" (Vargas, 2015, p. 62) toward Mexican immigrants increased tenfold.

Essay / Chapter in Print Book:

Pellerin, R. M., & Sanders, J. (2016). Disability and inequality. In J. Ballantine (Ed.), *Our social world* (5th ed., pp. 359-60). Sage.

In-text citation: Pellerin and Sanders (2016) think "students with disabilities need more support from teachers and school administrators" (p. 363).

JOURNAL ARTICLES WITH A DOI

A digital object identifier (DOI) is a unique series of numbers & letters assigned to journal articles. They are usually on the first page of the article and look like this: 10.1111/j.1469.2007.02279.x APA style requires you to give a DOI as a URL. If an article's DOI is not a URL simply add <https://doi.org/> in front of it:

<https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1469-8137.2007.02279.x>

Author(s). Tjoelker, M. J., & Brown, L. M.
Year. (2017).

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In-text citation: Tjoelker and Brown (2017) discuss the negative impacts global warming has had on coastal marine plants and microbes (p. 711).

Kurlaender, M. (2006). Choosing community college: Factors affecting Latino college choice. *New Directions for Community Colleges*, 76(133), 7-16.
<https://doi-org.10.1002/cc.223>

In-text citation: Kurlaender (2006) argues differences in higher education structures among different states affects students' decision to attend community college (p. 14).

JOURNAL ARTICLES WITHOUT A DOI

For articles without a DOI in a library database end the citation with the page range. For scholarly articles with no DOI published on a website, include the URL.

Flory, D. (2019). Moonlight, film noir, and melodrama. *Western Journal of Black Studies*, 43(3/4), 104-113.

In-text Citation: One scholar argues that cinematic melodrama "can be used to promote moral change and neutralize disgust" (Flory, 2019, p. 8).

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