MLA Style Guide for Creating Works Cited Lists

Works Cited General Guidelines:

• References are cited on separate pages at the end of a manuscript, under the title, Works Cited (with no quotation marks, underlining or italicizing), centered at the top of the first page. The Works Cited list should be alphabetized by authors' last names or article/book titles. References are **double-spaced** within and between entries.

• Generally, *italicize* titles of books and journals, or underline – but not both.
• While URLs are no longer required when citing web publications, you should include a URL when an instructor requires it.
• This guide shows the most frequently used citation types. For additional information on MLA style, contact a UW librarian at *www.lib.washington.edu/about/contacts.html*.
• **Source:** UW Libraries and *MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers, 7th ed.*

Print Resources

Works Cited

book by a single author

Author (last name first). *Book Title* (in italics). Place of publication (state is needed if not a common city): Publishing company, year of publication. Medium of publication.

example: Castle, Gregory. *Modernism and Celtic Revival*. New York: Cambridge Univ. Press, 2001. Print.
in-text citation: (Castle 46)

book by two or more authors

Authors (last name first for first author, then first name first). *Book Title* (in italics). Place of publication: Publishing co., year of publication. Medium of publication.

example: Llywelyn, Morgan and Michael Scott. *Ireland:Graphic History*. Rockport, MA: Element, 1995. Print.
in-text citation: (Llywelyn and Scott 102)
Note: Give the names in the same order as on the title page, not necessarily in alphabetical order. For more than three authors, you may name the first author and add "et al." or give all names in full.

article in a reference work

Author (last name first). "Article Title."(in quotes) *Book Title (italics)*. Editor (if given). Place of publication: Publishing co., year of publication. Medium of publication.

example: Le Patourel, John. "Normans and Normandy." *Dictionary of the Middle Ages*. Ed. Joseph R. Staver. New York: Scribner's, 1987. Print.
in-text citation: (Le Patourel 4)

anonymous article or book

"Article Title."(in quotes) *Book Title (italics). E*ditor (if given). Place of publication: Publishing co., year of publication. Medium of publication.

example: "Charlottesville." *Encyclopedia of Virginia*. New York: Somerset Press, 1993. Print.
in-text citation: ("Charlottesville" 23)
Note: When a work is anonymous, alphabetize the entry by title (ignoring any initial A, An, or The).

Other Resources

interview

example: Wiesel, Elie. Interview by Ted Koppel. *Nightline*. ABC. WABC, New York. 18 Apr. 2002. Television.
in-text citation: (Wiesel)

personal interview

example: Barron, Tyler. Telephone interview. 7 Dec. 2011.
in-text citation: (Barron)

movie	*example: Schindler's List.* Dir. Steven Spielberg. Perf. Liam Neeson, Ben Kingsley, and Ralph Finnes. Universal Pictures, 2004. DVD.
	in-text citation: (*Schindler's List*)
movie (citing the contribution of a particular individual)	*example:* Spielberg, Steven, dir. *Schindler's List.* Perf. Liam Neeson, Ben Kingsley, and Ralph Finnes. Universal Pictures, 2004. DVD.
	in-text citation: (Spielberg)

Electronic Resources

Works Cited

website (no author)

"Article title."(in quotes) *Name of Website (in italics)*. Publishing Co., publishing date (if no publisher is given, write N.p., if no date is given, write n.d.). Medium of publication. Date of access.

example: "Royal Shakespeare Company." *Encyclopedia Britannica Online*. Encyclopedia Britannica, 2009. Web. 1 Feb 2011.
in-text citation: ("Royal")

article from library database
(*see library web site* for additional database citations)

example: Griffin, Patrick."Napoleon I." *World History: The Modern Era*. ABC-CLIO, n.d. Web. 7 Dec. 2011.
in-text citation: (Griffin)

e-book

Author/s. "Article Title." (if included) *Title of Book*. Place of publication: Publishing Co., date of publishing. *Source of eBook (in italics also)*. Medium of publication. Date of access.

example: Kollander, Particia. "William I." *Europe 1789-1914: Encyclopedia of the Age of Industry and Empire.* Ed. John Merriman and Jay Winter. Detroit: Charles Scribner's Sons, 2006. *Gale Virtual Reference Library*. Web. 7 Dec. 2011.
in-text citation: (Kollander 2468)
Note: A citation is given at the end of each Gale e-book entry, you must take out the page numbers, they don't belong

pictures/images

Photographer/artist's name (if given, last name first). *Title of picture (in italics)* or name of subject (NOT italics). Date of piece (if given). Medium of art. Collection which owns the image (if given) or name of hosting website. Medium of publication. Date accessed.

example: Rousseau, Henri. *The Ship in the Storm.* 1896. Painting. Musee de l'Orangerie, Paris. Web. 8 Aug 2011.
in-text citation: ("Rousseau")
Note: For all images and pictures, go to the original web page and cite the web page, do NOT cite something like Google Images and the like.

Note for Works Cited from the Web: An entry for a nonperiodical publication on the Web usually contains most of the following components, in sequence: 1) Name of the author, director, narrator, or translator of the work. 2) Title of the work (italicized if the work is independent; in roman type and quotation marks if the work is part of a larger work. 3) Title of the overall Web site (italicized), if distinct from item 2. 4) Publisher or sponsor of the site; if not available, use *N.p.* 5). Date of publication (day, month, and year, as available); if nothing is available, use *n.d.* 6) Medium of publication (*Web*). 7). Date of access (day, month, and year). Each item is followed by a period except the publisher or sponsor, which is followed by a comma.