# APA 7th Referencing for Education

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APA is one of the most frequently used referencing styles. It uses what is known as an 'Author-Date' system. The following information will go through how to cite information in your assignment and how to reference the work you've used.

Every citation will consist of two parts:

* A citation in-text
* A full reference at the end of the assignment

We use in-text citations so that the person reading your work knows exactly what information has come from other sources. Then your reader can easily find that source in your reference list.

# In-Text Citation

To write an in-text citation you need the following elements:

* The author(s) of your source
* The year it was published
* The page number(s) (if quoting directly)

1 AUTHOR

The children “found play stimulating” (Smith, 2017, p. 98).

Smith (2017) stated that the children “found play stimulating” (p. 98).

2 AUTHORS

The children “found play stimulating” (Smith & Frank, 2017, p. 98).

Smith and Frank stated that the children “found play stimulating” (p. 98).

3 + AUTHORS

The children “found play stimulating” (Smith et al., 2017, p. 98).

Smith et al. (2017) stated that the children “found play stimulating” (p. 98).

AUTHOR AS AN ORGANIATION

Abbreviate the name if:

* There is a well-known abbreviation.
* The name is particularly long.
* You are going to refer to it by name at least three times in your paper. You must write the full name of the author on the first mention and can follow this with the abbreviation, which you are then free to use in subsequent citations.

**Examples**

AITSL

First time: (Australian Institute for Teaching and School Leadership [AITSL], 2014).

Subsequently: (AITSL, 2014).

ACARA

First time: (Australian Curriculum Assessment and Reporting Authority [ACARA], 2016).

Subsequently: (ACARA, 2016).

NESA

First time: (NSW Education Standards Authority [NESA], 2016, para. 5). Subsequently: (NESA, 2016, para. 5).

# Reference List

Make sure to:

* Start the list on a new page before any tables, figures or appendices.
* Arrange alphabetically.
* Include all authors (up to 20) in each reference.
* Include author initials after surnames, and a comma between all authors.
* Always use “&” between the last two authors. Author, A. A., & Author, B. B.
* Use a hanging indent:

Mac: cmnd + t

PC: ctrl + t

* Include DOIs for journals and books when available. Do not place a full stop after the DOI.
* Add a full stop after the author name if the author is an organization/group.

# Books

Whole book

Author, A. A. (Year). *Title* (edition). Publisher.

Smith, S. (2017). *How children play: Imagination at work* (2nd ed.). Imagination Press.

Chapter in an edited book

Author, A. A., & Author, B. B. (Year). Title of chapter. In E. E. Editor & F. F. Editor (Eds.), *Title of book* (edition, page range). Publisher.

Balsam, K. F., & Martell, C. R. (2019). Affirmative cognitive behaviour therapy with sexual and gender minority people. In G. Y. Iwamasa & P. A. Hays (Eds.), *Culturally responsive cognitive behaviour therapy: Practice and supervision* (2nd ed., pp. 287-314). American Psychological Association.

Online book

Author, A. (Year). *Title*. Publisher. DOI/URL

Baker, K. G. (2019). *Anatomy quizbook: For students studying or intending to study medicine*. University of Technology Sydney ePress. https://doi.org/10.5130/978-0-9945039-3-0

# Articles

Journal article (1 author)

Author, A. (Year). Article Title. *Journal Title*, volume (issue), page range. DOI

Alderton, Z. (2014). “Snapewives” and “Snapeism”: A fiction-based religion within the Harry Potter fandom. *Religions*, 5(1), 219-267. https://doi.org/10.3390/rel5010219

Journal article (2+ authors)

Author, A. A., Author, B. B., & Author, C. C. (Year). Article Title. *Journal Title*, volume(issue), page range. DOI

Gursoy, A., Wickett, K., & Feinberg, M. (2018). Understanding tag functions in a moderated, user-generated metadata ecosystem. *Journal of Documentation*, 74(3), 490–508. https://doi.org/10.1108/JD-09-2017-0134

News article (online)

Author, A. (Year, Month Day). Title. *Newspape*r. DOI/URL

Darby, A. (2004, August 10). Furious Butler quits as governor. *Sydney Morning Herald*. <http://www.smh.com.au.articles/2004/08/09/1092022411039>

# Webpages and Reports

Webpage (individual author)

Author, A. (Year, Month Day). *Title of webpage*. Title of Website. URL

Taylor, B. (2019, September 27). *Small grants make a big difference in mental health*. NSW Health. https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/news/Pages/20190927\_00.aspx

Webpage (organisational author)

Organisation. (Year, Month Day). *Title of webpage*. Title of Website (if different from the Organisation). URL

Queensland Health. (2018, October 30). *Cancer screening*. https://health.qld.gov.au/public-health/cancer-screening

Report (organisational author)

Organisation. (Year). *Title of report* (Report number). Publisher Name (if different from the Organisation). DOI/URL

National Cancer Institute. (2018). *Facing forward: Life after cancer treatment* (NIH Publication No. 18-2424). U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, National Institute of Health. https://www.cancer.gov/publications/patient-education/life-after-treatment.pdf