This is a quick guide to the APA referencing style (6th edition)

- The American Psychological Association reference style uses the Author-Date format.
- Refer to the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association (6th ed.) for more information. Check Library Search for call number and location(s).
- When quoting directly or indirectly from a source, the source must be acknowledged in the text by author name and year of publication.

**In-text**

To cite information directly or indirectly, there are two ways to acknowledge citations:

1) Make it a part of a sentence or 2) put it in parentheses at the end of the sentence.

**Direct quotation** – use quotation marks around the quote and include page numbers

1) Cohen and Lotan (2014) argue that "many different kinds of abilities are essential for any profession" (p.151).
2) “Many different kinds of abilities are essential for any profession” (Cohen & Lotan, 2014, p.151).

N.B. See the Library’s APA webpage for a quotation of 40 or more words.

**Indirect quotation/paraphrasing/summarising** – no quotation marks

1) Professional knowledge alone does not make someone a very capable professional (Cohen & Lotan, 2014).
2) According to Cohen and Lotan (2014), professional knowledge alone does not make someone a very capable professional.

N.B. Page numbers are optional when paraphrasing, although it is useful to include them (Publication Manual, p. 171).

**Citations from a secondary source**

1) Gould’s (1981) research “raises fundamental doubts as to whether we can continue to think of intelligence as unidimensional” (as cited in Cohen & Lotan, 2014, pp. 151-152).
2) Intelligence cannot be believed to consist of one single entity any more (Gould, 1981, as cited in Cohen & Lotan, 2014).

N.B. To cite a source you found in another source, you must acknowledge all the authors.
- The author(s) of the source referred to i.e. Gould, 1981
- The author(s) of the work which contains the original source i.e. Cohen & Lotan, 2014

In the reference list, only the book by Cohen & Lotan should be acknowledged. Do not list Gould.

- At the end of your assignment, you are required to provide the full bibliographic information for each source. References must be listed in alphabetical order by author.

**Examples of references by type**

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- N.B. The first letter of the first word of the main title, subtitle and all proper nouns have capital letters.

| **2. Book with two authors**  |
| (Dancey & Reidy, 2004) or Dancey and Reidy (2004) said... When paraphrasing in text, use and, not &. |

- N.B. Before “&” between authors, do not forget to put a comma.

| **3. Book with three to five authors (see Library APA referencing webpage for six or more authors)**  |
| (Krause, Bochner, & Duchesne, 2006) then (Krause et al., 2006) |

- N.B. Use & between authors’ names, except when paraphrasing in text. When a work has three, four or five authors, cite all authors the first time, and in subsequent citations include only the first author followed by et al.
4. **Book or report by a corporate author e.g. organisation, association, government department**
   
   
   N.B. When the author and the publisher are the same, use Author in the publisher field. In text, some group authors may be abbreviated in subsequent citations if they are readily recognisable.

   (International Labour Organization, 2007) or
   (International Labour Organization [ILO], 2007), *then* (ILO, 2007)

5. **Book chapter in edited book**
   
   
   N.B. Include the page numbers of the chapter after the book title.

   (Kestly, 2010) or
   Kestly (2010) compares educational settings of...

6. **Conference paper online – (see Library APA referencing webpage for alternative formats)**
   

   (Bochner, 1996) or
   Bochner (1996) illustrates that...

7. **Course handout/Lecture notes (electronic version)**
   
   
   N.B. Put format in square brackets - e.g. [Lecture notes][Panopto video]. This referencing format should be used only for your assignments.

   (Archard, Merry & Nicholson, 2011) *then subsequently, if 3-5 authors* (Archard et al., 2011)

8. **Film – (see Library APA referencing webpage for music and other media)**
   

   N.B. For films, DVDs or videorecordings use [Motion picture] in square brackets. Give the country of origin and the name of the motion picture studio.

   (Preston, 2010)

9. **Journal article (academic/scholarly) with DOI**
   
   
   N.B. DOI (Digital Object Identifier) is a unique code assigned to a scholarly/academic publication. The DOI’s code links to the article online.

   (Germann, Ebbes & Grewal, 2015) *then subsequently, if 3-5 authors* (Germann et al., 2015)

9a. **Journal article with no DOI**
   

   N.B. A capital letter is used for key words in the journal title. The journal title and volume number are italicised, followed by the issue number in brackets (not italicised). Online journal articles with no DOI no longer require a retrieval statement (i.e. Retrieved from... database).

   Germann, Ebbes and Grewal (2015) claim that “there have been ...” (p. 19). *then subsequently, if 3-5 authors* Germann et al. (2015) argue that...

10. **Magazine/Newspaper article – popular/trade/general interest**
    

    N.B. Full date is used if published weekly; month and year if monthly.

    (Goodwin, 2002) or
    Goodwin (2002) defends ...

11. **Magazine/Newspaper article with no author**
    

    N.B. Article title comes first. In the text, abbreviate title and use double quotation marks. Include p. or pp. before the page number for newspapers, not magazines.

    (“Report Casts Shadow,” 2007)

12. **Personal Communication** (letters, telephone conversations, emails, interviews, private social networking)

    N.B. No reference list entry as the information is not recoverable.

    (J. Bär, personal communication, March 19, 2004)

13. **Thesis – Institutional or personal webpage - outside the US**
    

    (Liu, 2014) or
    Liu (2014) identified ...

14. **Webpage**
    

    N.B. (n.d.) = no date. The basic format is: (1) Author (could be organisation), (2) Date (either date of publication or latest update), (3) Title, (4) URL.

    (New Zealand Trade and Enterprise, n.d., para. 1) *For direct quote, cite the paragraph number in text*

For more web examples e.g. YouTube videos, blogs and Twitter posts see the APA Online Guide

http://www.waikato.ac.nz/library/study/referencing/styles/apa/examples

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