

## WORKS CITED PAGE

A Works Cited list is the last page of a research paper. The list is alphabetized and double-spaced. All citations longer than one line should have a .5 inch hanging indent:

### Works Cited

- Marshall, Charles, and George Kovacs. *Classics and Comics*. Oxford UP, 2011. EBSCOhost, search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=352893&site=ehost-live.
- Stone, Jim. "Harry Potter and the Spectre of Imprecision." *Analysis*, vol. 70, no. 4, Oct. 2010, pp. 638-44. *JSTOR*, www.jstor.org/stable/40930271. Accessed 13 May 2016.

## CITATION ELEMENTS & EXAMPLES

Citing a source for the Works Cited list involves considering **9 core elements**. Provide each in the order and with the punctuation shown below. Keep in mind, final elements end with a period.

1. **Author(s).**
2. **Title of source.**
3. **Title of container,**
4. **Other contributors,**
5. **Version,**
6. **Number,**
7. **Publisher,**
8. **Publication date,**
9. **Location.**

Only cite available information. For sources with 3+ authors, list first author only then **et al.**

More information on citation elements is in the 8th edition of the *MLA Handbook* (pp. 20-58).

## PAGE ON A WEBSITE

**Author(s).** Dartis, Michelle D.  
**Article title.** "Embracing Left Turns and Lessons."  
**Website name,** *Elixher*,  
[**Sponsor/Publisher** if different than website name,]  
**Publication date,** 16 Jan. 2017,  
**URL.** [elixher.com/embracing-left-turns-and-lessons/](http://elixher.com/embracing-left-turns-and-lessons/).  
**Date of access.** Accessed 13 Oct. 2017.

**MLA Citation:**  
Dartis, Michelle D. "Embracing Left Turns and Lessons." *Elixher*, 16 Jan. 2017, [elixher.com/embracing-left-turns-and-lessons/](http://elixher.com/embracing-left-turns-and-lessons/). Accessed 13 Oct. 2017.

## PRINT BOOK

**Author(s).** Freire, Paulo.  
**Title of book.** *Pedagogy of the Oppressed*.  
**Publisher,** Herder and Herder,  
**Publication date.** 1972.

**MLA Citation:**  
Freire, Paulo. *Pedagogy of the Oppressed*. Herder and Herder, 1972.

## ESSAY / CHAPTER IN BOOK (PRINT)

**Author(s).** Guillen, Fernando M.  
**Title of essay/chapter.** "Annotation Strategies."  
**Title of book,** *Educational Enterprises*,  
**Editor(s),** edited by Jeanne Emry, et al.,  
**Edition/Version,** 2<sup>nd</sup> ed.,  
**Publisher,** Universe Press,  
**Publication date,** 2015,  
**Essay/Chapter page range.** pp. 50-72.

**MLA Citation:**  
Guillen, Fernando M. "Annotation Strategies." *Educational Enterprises*, edited by Jeanne Emry, et al., 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., Universe Press, 2015, pp. 50-72.

## EBOOK (IN DATABASE)

**Author(s).** Keown, Michelle.  
**Title of book.** *Pacific Islands Writing: The Postcolonial Literatures of Aotearoa/New Zealand and Oceania*.  
**Publisher,** UOP Oxford,  
**Publication date.** 2007.  
**Database name,** *ProQuest Ebook Central*,  
**Permalink.** [ebookcentral.proquest.com/lib/csusm/detail.action?docID=415638](http://ebookcentral.proquest.com/lib/csusm/detail.action?docID=415638).

**MLA Citation:**  
Keown, Michelle. *Pacific Islands Writing: The Postcolonial Literatures of Aotearoa/New Zealand and Oceania*. UOP Oxford, 2007. *ProQuest Ebook Central*, [ebookcentral.proquest.com/lib/csusm/detail.action?docID=415638](http://ebookcentral.proquest.com/lib/csusm/detail.action?docID=415638).

### A few words on citation generators

If you use a citation generator online, be careful! They are often incorrect. Double check the formatting with this handout or an up-to-date style guide. The information used to compile this manual comes from the *MLA Style Guide* (8<sup>th</sup> edition).

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## JOURNAL ARTICLE (IN DATABASE)

**Author(s).** Jensen, Matthew L., et al.  
**Article title.** "Training to Mitigate Phishing Attacks Using Mindfulness."  
**Journal title,** *Journal of Information Management Systems*,  
**Volume & Issue,** vol. 34, no. 2,  
**Publication date,** Apr. 2017,  
**Pages.** pp. 597-626.  
**Database,** *EBSCOhost*,  
**DOI (or Permalink if no DOI).**  
doi: 10.1080/07421222.2017.1334499.  
**Date of access (optional).** Accessed 15 Oct. 2017.

**MLA Citation:**  
Jensen, Matthew L., et al. "Training to Mitigate Phishing Attacks Using Mindfulness." *Journal of Information Management Systems*, vol. 34, no. 2, Apr. 2017, pp. 597-626. *EBSCOhost*, doi: 10.1080/07421222.2017.1334499. Accessed 15 Oct. 2017.

## JOURNAL ARTICLE (ON A WEBSITE)

**Author(s).** Edmundson, Mark.  
**Article title.** "The Metaphysics of the Hangover."  
**Journal title,** *The Hedgehog Review*,  
**Volume & Issue,** vol. 19, no. 2,  
**Publication date,** Summer 2017,  
[**Pages,** if applicable]  
**URL.** [iasc-culture.org/THR/hedgehog\\_review\\_2017\\_Summer\\_Edmundson](http://iasc-culture.org/THR/hedgehog_review_2017_Summer_Edmundson).  
**Date of access.** Accessed 14 Nov. 2017.

**MLA Citation:**  
Edmundson, Mark. "The Metaphysics of the Hangover." *The Hedgehog Review*, vol. 19, no. 2, Summer 2017, [iasc-culture.org/THR/hedgehog\\_review\\_2017\\_Summer\\_Edmundson](http://iasc-culture.org/THR/hedgehog_review_2017_Summer_Edmundson). Accessed 14 Nov. 2017.

## Enrolled in GEW?!

Every GEW student is required to visit the Writing Center **at least twice** during the semester. Be sure to bring your *Writing Center Agenda Form*, which can be found at [www.csusm.edu/writingcenter/gew](http://www.csusm.edu/writingcenter/gew)

Visit during any stage of the writing process—whether with a completed draft or only a prompt and some ideas.

**VISIT EARLY. VISIT OFTEN.**

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## EMAIL

**Sender.** Quiñonez, Torie.  
**Subject.** "Re: Help Finding a Secondary Source."  
**Recipient,** Received by Sherlock Holmes,  
**Send date.** 23 May 2016.

**MLA Citation:**  
Quiñonez, Torie. "Re: Help Finding a Secondary Source." Received by Sherlock Holmes, 23 May 2016.

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## CLASS LECTURE

**Instructor.** Wood, Syndee.  
**Lecture title.** "Reflective Writing Can Be Academic Writing."  
**Course number,** GEW 101,  
**Date of lecture,** 15 Nov. 2017,  
**Location,** CSUSM, San Marcos, CA.  
**Type of presentation.** Lecture.

**MLA Citation:**  
Wood, Syndee. "Reflective Writing Can Be Academic Writing." GEW 101, 15 Nov. 2017, CSUSM, San Marcos, CA. Lecture.

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## PERSONAL INTERVIEW

**Name of person interviewed.** Case, Justin.  
**Title.** Personal interview.  
**Date of interview.** 27 Oct. 2017.

**MLA Citation:**  
Case, Justin. Personal interview. 27 Oct. 2017.

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## TWITTER POST

**Twitter user.** @ReallyVirtual.  
**Tweet.** "Helicopter hovering above Abbottabad at 1AM (is a rare event)."  
**Website name,** *Twitter*,  
**Posting date & time,** 1 May 2011, 12:58 p.m.,  
**URL.** [twitter.com/reallyvirtual/status/64780730286358528](https://twitter.com/reallyvirtual/status/64780730286358528).

**MLA Citation:**  
@ReallyVirtual. "Helicopter hovering above Abbottabad at 1AM (is a rare event)." *Twitter*, 1 May 2011, 12:58 p.m., [twitter.com/reallyvirtual/status/64780730286358528](https://twitter.com/reallyvirtual/status/64780730286358528).

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## YOUTUBE VIDEO

**Video name.** "Where Are You From?"  
**Website name,** *YouTube*,  
**Publisher (username),** uploaded by kentanakajapan,  
**Publication date,** 31 May 2013,  
**URL.** [youtube.com/watch?v=crAv5ttax2I](https://youtube.com/watch?v=crAv5ttax2I).

**MLA Citation:**  
"Where Are You From?" *YouTube*, uploaded by kentanakajapan, 31 May 2013, [youtube.com/watch?v=crAv5ttax2I](https://youtube.com/watch?v=crAv5ttax2I).

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## FILM or TELEVISION

**Episode Title.** "Fifty-One."  
**Series Title,** *Breaking Bad*,  
**Season, episode,** season 5, episode 4,  
**Publisher,** AMC,  
**Publication date.** 5 August 2012.  
**Title of container,** Netflix,  
**URL.** [netflix.com/search?q=breaking&jbv=70143836&jbp=0&jbr=0](https://netflix.com/search?q=breaking&jbv=70143836&jbp=0&jbr=0).

**MLA Citation:**  
"Fifty-One." *Breaking Bad*, season 5, episode 4, AMC, 5 August 2012. Netflix, [netflix.com/search?q=breaking&jbv=70143836&jbp=0&jbr=0](https://netflix.com/search?q=breaking&jbv=70143836&jbp=0&jbr=0).

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## FEDERAL LEGISLATION (Online)

**United States, Congress, House or Senate.** United States, House.  
**Legislation Title.** Protecting Women in Entrepreneurship Act.  
**Year enacted (if applicable).** 2017.  
**Title of Website,** [congress.gov](https://congress.gov),  
**URL.** [congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/255?r=29](https://congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/255?r=29).

**MLA Citation:**  
United States, House. Protecting Women in Entrepreneurship Act. 2017. [congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/255?r=29](https://congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/255?r=29).

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# MLA

Citing sources requires two forms of citation:

- (1) a brief **in-text citation** next to any material you have summarized, paraphrased, or quoted
- (2) a corresponding citation with more detail within a list of all your sources on a **Works Cited** page.

## IN-TEXT CITATIONS

An in-text citation appears at the end of the sentence, within the period; include author & pages (when available).

- In-Text Citation When summarizing and paraphrasing**
- One researcher found students do better on research papers when they work with a librarian (Ramos 103-09).
  - In her research, Ramos found students do better on research papers when they work with a librarian (103-09).

- In-Text Citation When Quoting**
- According to Ramos, "consulting a librarian has greatly benefited students writing research papers" (103).
  - One author states that "consulting a librarian has greatly benefited students writing research papers" (Ramos 103).

**In-Text Citation for Sources with No Author**  
Give the entire title in the sentence or an abbreviated title in parentheses:

- According to "How Writers Read: A Reflection" people who love writing read with a pen in their hand (45).
- People who love writing read with a pen in hand ("How Writers Read" 45).

**In-Text Citation for Sources with 3+ authors**  
List **et al.** after first author along with page number:  
(Cox et al. 156).

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