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This guide is meant as a supplement to the Basic APA Style Guide created by the UNA Center for Writing Excellence. Please refer to the basic guide for the particulars of APA style including setup, purpose, and understanding documentation. The following are simply additional examples:

Documenting Authors

One Author:

Two Authors:

Three to Seven Authors:

More than Seven Authors:

Works with no author should either skip to the title, list the editor, or list the company name.

Multiple works by the same author should be listed by year. If the works have the same year, add a letter to the year:
Smith, J. R. (2001a). Roles of women in the home…
Smith, J. R. (2001b). Women in the workplace…

Documenting Books

Model:

Sample:

If the city is internationally known, it is unnecessary to include state abbreviations. You can also leave out publisher abbreviations, such as Ltd, Co, and Inc.

Documenting Edited Collections

Model:

Model for an essay or chapter in an edited collection:
Author, A. A., & Author, B. B. (Date of publication). Title of article/chapter. In A. Editor & B. Editor (Eds.), Title of book (pp. xxx-xxx). Location: Publisher.

Sample:

Documenting Journals

Model:
Author, A. A., & Author, B. B. (Date of publication). Title of article. Title of Periodical, volume number(issue number if available), page numbers. doi: #######
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Sample:

Journal articles that are accessed in print do not require a DOI; however, articles accessed online should include either a DOI or a URL. This includes most articles that appear in databases. You do not need to cite the database; however, you should include the DOI when possible. If no DOI is available, include the URL for the website’s home page.

Use the format:
   Retrieved from http://www.xxxxxxxxx

Documenting Websites

Websites are generally discouraged in APA papers. This is mainly because webpages are not always written by a knowledgeable professional and are therefore not credible. However, some websites have valuable information about statistics, policies, or government reports. The APA Manual approaches each type of website on a case by case basis. For specifics, consult the handbook.

Here are examples of some of the most common website types:

Online Magazine Article:

Corporate Author, Government Report:

Corporate Author, Task Force Report Filed Online:

Remember, APA doesn’t have a set formula for general websites. If you are not sure about the formatting for a specific source, copies of the APA Handbook are available in the Writing Center during hours of operation and at the Reference Desk in the library. For any specific help, you may want to schedule a writing consultation.

References
