

Chicago Style Citation Guide

The Chicago Manual of Style presents two basic documentation systems: notes and bibliography and author-date. This tip sheet will go over the author-date system. Please refer to the tip sheet titled “Turabian Style” for guidance on how to cite using the notes and bibliography system.

Author-Date System

The author-date system is similar to APA citation. Both require the same basic information in the form of a parenthetical citation and a references page.

Parenthetical Citation Dos and Don'ts

- **DO** include a parenthetical citation each time you cite a source.
- **DO** include author'(s) last name(s), publication date, and page number of source (if the source includes page numbers).
- **DO** place punctuation *after* the parenthetical citation instead of before it.
- **DO NOT** include punctuation between the author's last name and the publication date.

Parenthetical Citations

Citations can go at the beginning or end of a direct quote.

Example of Quote at the End: The accepted interpretation did indeed usually concede that France prior to the revolution was largely pre-industrial [with] its bourgeoisie being a commercial and financial one (Stromberg 1986, 89).

Example of Quote at the Beginning: Henry (1977, 141) states, “In 1944 Ian Alexander concluded somewhat surprisingly in ‘Voltaire and Metaphysics’ that Voltaire, the archenemy of metaphysics, and the most eclectic of thinkers, was a ‘metaphysician’ who had a ‘system.’”

Example of Quote with No Author: One distinguished historian observes that “Lincoln staked everything on the indivisibility of the United States” (The Civil War 2009, 121).

Example of Quote with No Page Number: Swift (1973, under “The Chicken or the Egg?”) states, “Hence we have a chicken-and-the-egg situation: writing and thinking go hand in hand; and when one is good, the other is likely to be good.”

Two Sources in One Sentence

Use a semicolon to separate the citations.

Example: (Franz 1993, 85; Noël 2013, 111)

Same Source in the Same Paragraph

Cite the source after the last reference or at the end of the paragraph.

References Page Formatting

Place a page break at the end of your document and write the word “References” centered at the top. Your entries must be alphabetized and single-spaced. Please include an extra space between your entries though. Place the year of publication directly after the author’(s) name. Be sure to use hanging indents in your references page as well.

Multiple Authors

Grazer, Brian, and Charles Fishman. *A Curious Mind: The Secret to a Bigger Life*. New York: Simon & Schuster, 2015.

Website

“McDonald’s Happy Meal Toy Safety Facts,” McDonald’s Corporation, accessed July 19, 2008, <http://www.mcdonalds.com/corp/factsheets.html>.

Journal Article

Petrovich, Vesna Crnjanski. “Women and the Paris Academy of Sciences.” *Eighteenth-Century Studies* 32, no. 3 (1999): 383–90. <http://www.jstor.org/stable/30053914>.

Book

Vatakis, A., and M.J. Allman, eds. *Time Distortions in Mind: Temporal Processing in Clinical Populations*. Brill, 2015. <http://www.jstor.org/stable/10.1163/j.ctt1w8h2wk>.

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