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General Information: APA (American Psychological Association) is recommended for papers in psychology, education, and the other social sciences. APA recommends using any 11 or 12 pt. font that is accessible (i.e., legible) to all readers. The essay should be double-spaced and include a Title Page, Abstract, Main Body, and References. References should always be alphabetized. A hanging indent should be used when citing references.

Journal Article:

Model:

Author, A. A., Author, B. B., & Author, C. C. (Year of publication). Title of article. *Title of Periodical, volume number* (issue number), pages. https://doi.org/xx.xxx/yyyy

References Example (Print):

Scruton, R. (1996). The eclipse of listening. The New Criterion, 15(3), 5-13.

References Example (Electronic):

Baniya, S., & Weech, S. (2019). Data and experience design: Negotiating community-oriented digital research with service-learning. *Purdue Journal of Service-Learning and International Engagement*, 6(1), 11-16. https://doi.org/10.5703/1288284316979

In-Text Citation Examples: According to Jones (1998), "students often had difficulty using APA style, especially when it was their first time" (p. 199). OR She stated, "Students often had difficulty using APA style" (Jones, 1998, p. 199).

Book:

Model:

Author, A. A. (Year of publication). *Title of work: Capital letter also for subtitle.* Publisher Name.

References Example:

Moniz, D. W. (2021). Milk, blood, honey. Grove Press.

In-Text Citation Example: She writes, "This is the hour of reckoning" (Moniz, 2021, p. 3).

Webpage:

Model:

Author, A. A. (Year, Month Date last updated). Title of page. Site name. URL.

References Example:

Price, D. (2018, March 23). Laziness does not exist. Medium.

https://humanparts.medium.com/laziness-does-not-exist-3af27e312d01

In-Text Citation Example: He says, "Laziness does not exist," (Price, 2018)