

## Citing MLA Format

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- 2) List entries in alphabetical order according to the last name of the author. If there is no author, use the first word.
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- 4) *Titles* of books, plays, periodicals, pamphlets, films and television programs in *italics*.
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Sources without authors are arranged alphabetically by title within the same list (ignoring initial "A," "An," or "The" when it is the first word in the title).

**The first line of each source is flush with the left margin; second and succeeding lines are indented five spaces.**

### Works Cited - Print Resources

#### BOOK: SINGLE AUTHOR

Hart, James D. The Oxford Companion to American Literature. 5th ed. New York: Oxford UP, 1983.

#### BOOK: TWO OR MORE AUTHORS

Marquart, James W., Sheldon Ekland Olson, and Jonathan R. Sorensen.

The Rope, the Chair, and the Needle: Capital Punishment in Texas, 1923-1990. Austin: U of Texas P, 1994.

*For more than three authors, you may name only the first, followed by et. al., or you may give the names of all of the authors in the order in which they are listed on the title page*

#### A WORK IN AN ANTHOLOGY OR COMPILATION

Moravcevic, N. "The Romanticization of the Prostitute in Dostoyevsky's Fiction."

The Image of the Prostitute in Modern Literature. Ed. Pierre L. Horn and Mary Beth Pringle. New York: Unger, 1984. 53-61.

#### **A PREVIOUSLY PUBLISHED ARTICLE REPRINTED IN A COLLECTION**

Roberts, Sheila. "A Confined World: A Rereading of Pauline Smith."

World Literature Written in English 24 (1984): 232-38. Rpt. in Twentieth-Century Literary Criticism. Ed. Dennis Poupard. Vol. 25. Detroit: Gale, 1988. 399-402.

#### **A MULTI-VOLUME WORK**

Churchill, Winston S. A History of the English-Speaking Peoples. 4 vols. New York:

Dodd, 1956-58.

#### **WORK CITED IS FROM ONE VOLUME ONLY OF A MULTI-VOLUME WORK**

Stowe, Harriet Beecher. "Sojourner Truth, the Libyan Sibyl." 1863. The Heath

Anthology of American Literature. Ed. Paul Lauter et. al. 2nd ed. Vol. 1. Lexington: Heath, 1994. 2425-33.

#### **AN ENCYCLOPEDIA ARTICLE**

"Mandarin." The Encyclopedia Americana. 1993 ed.

Mohanty, Jitendra M. "Indian Philosophy." The New Encyclopedia Britannica:

Macropaedia. 15th ed. 1987.

*When citing less familiar encyclopedias, give full publication information:*

Trainen, Isaac N., et. al. "Religious Directives in Medical Ethics." Encyclopedia of

Bioethics. Ed. Warren T. Reich. 4 vols. New York: Free, 1978.

#### **GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS**

United States. Cong. Senate. Subcommittee on Constitutional Amendments of

the Committee on the Judiciary. Hearings on the "Equal Rights" Amendment. 91st Cong., 2nd sess., S. Res. 61. Washington: GPO, 1970.

#### **PERIODICAL ARTICLE IN A CONTINUOUSLY PAGED SCHOLARLY JOURNAL**

Flannigan, Beverly Olson. "Peer Tutoring and Second Language Acquisition in

the Elementary School." Applied Linguistics 12 (1991): 141-58.

#### **ARTICLE IN A SCHOLARLY JOURNAL THAT PAGES EACH ISSUE SEPARATELY**

Hallin, Daniel C. "Sound Bite News: Television Coverage of Elections, 1968-1988."

Journal of Communication 42.2 (1992): 5-24.

*If a journal uses only issue numbers, treat the issue number as a volume number.*

#### **ARTICLE FROM A WEEKLY MAGAZINE**

Bazell, Robert. "Science and Society: Growth Industry." New Republic 15 Mar.

1993: 13-14.

*For magazines published daily, weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly, omit the volume and issue numbers, even if these are given in the magazine. For monthly magazines, give the month and year; give day, month, and year for magazines published more frequently. If the article you are citing is not printed on consecutive pages, give only the first page number and a plus sign, e.g., 45+.*

#### **ARTICLE FROM A DAILY NEWSPAPER**

Manegold, Catherine S. "Becoming a Land of the Smoke-Free, Ban by Ban."

New York Times 22 Mar. 1994, late ed.: A1+.

#### **AN EDITORIAL**

Zuckerman, Mortimer B. "Welcome to Communicopia." Editorial. US News and

World Report 1 Nov. 1993: 116.

#### **A REVIEW**

Towers, Robert. "Mystery Women." Rev. of Cat's Eye, by Margaret Atwood. New York

Review of Books 27 Apr. 1989: 50-51.

Kauffmann, Stanley. "A New Spielberg." Rev. of Schindler's List, dir. Steven

Spielberg. New Republic 13 Dec. 1993: 30.

#### **INTERVIEW THAT YOU CONDUCTED**

Henry, Nicholas. Personal interview. 22 July 1995.

Turner, Ted. Telephone interview. 11 Aug. 1995.

#### **INTERVIEW CONDUCTED BY SOMEONE ELSE**

Blackmun, Henry. Interview with Ted Koppel and Nina Totenberg. Nightline.

WABC, New York. 5 Apr. 1994.

## **Online Resources**

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  9. Date of access.
  10. Electronic address of information (if appropriate) (ex. http: site/path/file).

## **GALILEO DATABASE**

### **FULL-TEXT PERIODICAL ARTICLE**

Damore, Kelley, and Charlotte Dunlap. "Compaq Targets the Internet."

Computer Reseller News 25 Sep. 1995: 307. ABI Inform. 25 Jan. 1996. GALILEO <www.galileo.usg.edu>.

Flannigan, Beverly Olson. "Peer Tutoring and Second Language Acquisition in

the Elementary School." Applied Linguistics 12 (1991): 141-58. Academic Search Premier. 15 Mar. 1992. GALILEO <www.galileo.usg.edu>.

Bazell, Robert. "Science and Society: Growth Industry." New Republic 15 Mar.

1993: 13-14. Research Library. 21 Aug. 1993. GALILEO <www.galileo.usg.edu>.

### **NEWSBANK INFOWEB**

Peres, Judy. "Couple's Divorce Entangles Frozen Embryos." Chicago Tribune 7 Aug. 1999,

Chicagoland final ed., News sec. 1. NewsBank Academic Library Collection. Central H. S., Our Town, CA. 16 Aug. 1999. <http://infoweb.newsbank.com/>.

### **ENTRY FROM ENCYCLOPEDIA BRITANNICA ONLINE**

"Electoral College" Britannica Online. GALILEO [28 Sept. 1998]

### **BOOK FROM netLibrary**

Austen, Jane. Pride and Prejudice. Philadelphia: Courage Books, 1992.

netLibrary. 16 Jan. 2002. GALILEO <www.galileo.usg.edu> .

### **OPPOSING VIEWPOINTS**

Wachbroit, Robert. "Why Not Clone Humans?" Cloning. 2000 Contemporary Issues

Companion Series. Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center. Gale Group Databases. Macon State College Library. 10 May 2002. <http://infotrac.galegroup.com/itweb/maco12153>

### **LITERATURE RESOURCE CENTER - GaleNet Databases**

"Saul Bellow." Contemporary Authors. 1999 Gale Group Databases. Macon State College Library.

Macon, GA. 10 Apr. 2002 <http://infotrac.galegroup.com/itweb/maco12153>

Eisinger, Chester E. "Herzog: Overview." Reference Guide to American Literature, 3rd ed. 1994.

Literature Resource Center. Gale Group Databases. Macon State College Library, Macon, GA 10 Mar. 2002 <http://infotrac.galegroup.com/itweb/maco12153>

### **WORLD WIDE WEB PAGE**

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"Schistosomiasis in U.S. Peace Corps Volunteers--Malawi, 1992." MMWR:

Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report 30 Jul. 1993: 565-570. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. 26 Jan 1996. <http://www.cdc.gov/epo/mmwr/mmwr.html>

**When citing a professional web site, indicate the name of any institution or organization sponsoring or associated with the site.**

CWSAC Battle Summaries. Heritage Preservation Services. 6 Sept. 2000

<<http://www2.cr.nps.gov/abpp/battles/bycampaign.htm>>

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