

# *American Sociological Association (ASA) Style*

~Reference Guide~

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The following are samples according to ASA style for citing references in your Reference List.

The reference list follows the text in a separate section headed "References." All references cited in the text must be listed in the reference section and vice versa. It is your responsibility to assure that publication information for each entry is complete and correct. The first line of each reference is set flush left and subsequent lines are indented. References should be **double-spaced**. List the references in **alphabetical order** by first authors' last names. Include **first names** and **surnames** for all authors—use first-name initials only if an author used initials in the original publication. For **multiple authorship**, only the first author's name is inverted (e.g., Jones, Arthur B. and Colin D. Smith). For **two or more listings under the same author(s)**, list in order of year of publication, earliest year first. Use six hyphens and a period (—) in place of the name(s) for repeated authorship. Distinguish works by the same author(s) in the same year by adding letters (e.g., 1985a, 1985b).

Refer to the *Style Guide of the American Sociological Association* (2<sup>nd</sup> ed.) or ask your instructor for further assistance.

## Books

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### One Author:

De Anda, Roberto M. 1995. *Chicanas and Chicanos in Contemporary Society*. Boston, MA: Allyn and Bacon.

### Two or More Authors:

Herrera-Sobek, Maria and Helena Maria Viramontes. 1995. *Chicana (W)rites: On Word and Film*. Berkeley, CA: Third Woman Press.

### No Author\*:

*Manual of Style*. 1993. 14<sup>th</sup> ed. Chicago, IL: University of Chicago Press.

\*List books with no author alphabetically by the first significant word in the title.

### Edited Volumes:

Kosher, Rudy, ed. 1990. *Splintered Classes*. New York: Holmes and Meier.

### Republished Works:

Goldman, Emma. [1914] 1987. *The Social Significance of the Modern Drama*. Reprint, New York: Applause.

### Chapter/Article in a Book:

Nathan, Peter E. and Raymond S. Niaura. 1987. "Prevention of Alcohol Problems." Pp. 333-354 in *Treatment and Prevention of Alcohol Problems: A Resource Manual*, edited by W.M. Cox. Orlando, FL: Academic Press, Inc.

## Government Documents

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\*Public documents are so varied; the form of entry for documents cannot be standardized. The essential rule is to provide sufficient information so the reader can locate the reference easily.

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. 1999. *Rehab a Home with HUD's 203(k): HUD and FHA are on Your Side*. Washington, D.C.: U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

## Dissertations & Theses

Jendian, Matthew A. 2001. "Assimilation AND Ethnicity: Adaptation Patterns and Ethnic Identity of Armenian-Americans in Central California." Ph.D. dissertation, Department of Sociology, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA.

## Newspaper & Magazine Articles

Rimland, Bernard. 2000. "Do Children's Shots Invite Autism?" *Los Angeles Times*, April 26, p. A13.

## Journal Articles

Garcia, Alma M. 1998. "An Intellectual Odyssey: Chicana/Chicano Studies Moving into the Twenty-first Century." *Journal of American Ethnic History* 18:109-119.

Goodman, Leo A. 1947a. "The Analysis of Systems of Qualitative Variables When Some of the Variables Are Unobservable." *American Journal of Sociology* 79:1179-1259.

Goodman, Leo A. 1947b. "Exploratory Latent Structure Analysis Using Both Identifiable and Unidentifiable Models." *Biometrika* 61(3):215-231.

## Electronic Sources

### Commercial Databases:

Graham, Lorie M. 1998. "The Past Never Vanishes: A Contextual Critique of the Existing Indian Family Doctrine." *American Indian Law Review* 23:1. Retrieved May 25, 1999 Available: LEXIS-NEXIS Academic Universe, Law Reviews.

### Web Version of Newspapers:

Clary, Mike. 2000. "Vieques Protesters Removed Without Incident." *Los Angeles Times*, May 5. Retrieved May 5, 2000 ([http://www.latimes.com/news/nation/updates/lat\\_vieques000505.htm](http://www.latimes.com/news/nation/updates/lat_vieques000505.htm)).

### Web-based Journals:

Smith, Herman W. and Takako Nomi. 2000. "Is Amae the Key to Understanding Japanese Culture?" *Electronic Journal of Sociology* 5:1. Retrieved May 5, 2000 (<http://www.sociology.org/content/vol005.001/smith-nomi.html>).

### Information Posted on a Web Site:

American Sociological Association. 2000. "Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Workshop." Washington, D.C.: American Sociological Association. Retrieved May 5, 2000 (<http://www.asanet.org/members/socwkshp.html>).

## Text Citations

Citations in the text include the **last names of the authors and year of publication**. Include page numbers when you quote **directly** from a work or refer to specific passages. For example: ... in another study by Duncan (1959). ... whenever it occurred" (Gouldner 1963:71). Give both last names for **joint authors**: (Martin and Bailey 1988). If a work has **no author**, use the first few words in the title: ("Katrina's Window" 2005).

If a work has **three authors or more**, cite all last names in the first citation in the text; thereafter, use "et al." in the citation after the first author's name: (Carr, Smith, and Jones 1962); then, (Carr et al. 1962).

**Quotations in the text** begin and end with quotation marks, the author, date, and page number(s).

**Block quotations** for longer quotations are presented in smaller type, set off in a separate, indented paragraph, and are not enclosed in quotation marks. For example:

As stated by Wright and Jacobs (1994:531):

The variation in men's earnings relative to their peers in the labor force was not a reliable predictor of men's attrition. This finding is inconsistent with the prediction that declines in earnings are responsible for male flight from feminizing occupations.