

2009 MLA Citation Format -- SCC Library

| Pattern for Books in Paper Format | Sample Citations |
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| Book: Single Author Author. <i>Title</i> . Place: Publisher, Date. Medium | Bolling, Linda. <i>My Life with My Best Friend in Colorado</i> . New York: Time-Life, 2008. Print. |
| Book: Two Authors First Author, and Second Author. <i>Title</i> . Place: Publisher, Date. Medium. | Uhlman, Liv, and Ingmar Bergman. <i>Live Theatre</i> . Englewood Cliffs, NJ: Salem P, 1992. Print. |
| Book: Three Authors First Author, Second Author, and Third Author. <i>Title</i> . Place: Publisher, Date. Medium. | Poll, Craig, Maria Pito, and Pedro Diaz. <i>Life in France</i> . Boston: Praeger, 2009. Print. |
| Book: More than Three Authors Author, et al. <i>Title</i> . Place: Publisher, Date. Medium. | Spencer, Jim, et al. <i>Basic Math</i> . San Jose: Ballard Books, 2009. Print. |
| Book: No Author <i>Title</i> . Edition (if given). Place: Publisher, Date. Medium. | <i>Chicago Manual of Style</i> . 15 th ed. Chicago: U of Chicago P, 2009. Print. |
| Book with Group Author Group Name. <i>Title</i> . Edition (if given). Place: Publisher, Date. Medium. | American Psychological Association. <i>Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association</i> . 5 th ed. Washington: APA, 2009. Print. |
| Book with Editor(s) Editor(s), eds. <i>Title</i> . Edition (if given). Place: Publisher, Date. Medium. | Dodson, Susan, and Becky Bourassa, eds. <i>Feminist Literature</i> . 2 nd ed. Syracuse, NY: Norton, 2005. Print. |
| Selection from an Anthology Author (if given). "Title of Anthologized Work." <i>Title of Book</i> . Ed. Editor(s). Edition (if given). Place: Publisher, Date. Page #(s). Medium. | Steinbeck, John. "The Red Pony." <i>Literature of the Land</i> . Ed. Betty Carter and Charleen Marsh. 3 rd ed. Boone, CO: Steiner P, 2008. 234-56. Print. |
| Selection from a Multi-Volume Series Author (if given). "Title of Anthologized Work." <i>Title of Book</i> . Ed. Editor(s). Vol. # (if given). Edition (if given). Place: Publisher, Date. Page #(s). Medium. | Epstein, William H. "John Cleland." <i>Dictionary of Literary Biography: British Novelists, 1660-1800: Part 1: A-L</i> . Ed. Martin C. Battestin. Vol. 39. Detroit: Gale Research, 1985. 101-12. Print. |
| Selection from an Anthology, Reprinted in a Multi-Volume Series Author (if given). "Title of Anthologized Work." <i>Title of Book</i> . Ed. Editor(s). Edition (if given). Place: Publisher, Date. Page #(s). Rpt. in <i>Series Title</i> . Ed. Editor(s). Vol. # (if given). Place: Publisher, Date. Page #(s). Medium. | Eurgubian, Janice. "Arthur Miller's Triumph." 20 th <i>Century Drama</i> . Ed. Bonita Sefcovic and Roy Marsh. 2 nd ed. Boston: Twayne, 1995. 95-103. Rpt. in <i>Short Story Criticism</i> . Ed. Justin Karr. Vol. 45. Farmington Hills, MI: Gale Group, 2001. 189-93. Print. |
| Article from Journal (Issues Paged Separately) Reprinted in a Multi-Volume Series Author (if given). "Article Title." <i>Journal Title</i> Volume.Issue (Year): Page #(s). Rpt. in <i>Series Title</i> . Ed. Editor(s). Vol. # (if given). Place: Publisher, Date. Page #(s). Medium. | Carter, Trudy. "Jean Toomer's Vision." <i>Journal of Black Literature</i> 14.3 (2005): 125-37. Rpt. in <i>Poetry Criticism</i> . Ed. Lawrence J. Trudeau. Vol. 61. Detroit: Thomson Gale, 2005. 349-67. Print. |
| Signed article in Reference Book Author. "Title." <i>Title of Reference Work</i> . Vol. # (if given). Ed. Editor. Edition (if given). Place: Publisher, Date. Medium. | Simco, Cheryl. "Ospreys." <i>Grzimek's Encyclopedia</i> . Vol. 7. Ed. Bernhard Grzimek. 5 th ed. New York: Reinhold, 2008. Print. |
| Article in General Encyclopedia Author (if given). "Title of Selection." <i>Title of Reference Work</i> . Edition. Medium. | "Thailand." <i>Encyclopedia Britannica</i> . 2008 ed. Print. |
| Government Publication Govt Agency. Sub-Agency[ies] (if any). <i>Title</i> . Place: Publisher, Date. Medium. | United States. Dept. of Labor. Bureau of Labor Statistics. <i>Housing Survey, 1998-2008 (Bulletin 2263)</i> . Washington: GPO, 2009. Print. |

Periodical Articles in Paper Format:

| Pattern | Sample Citations |
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| Magazine Author (if given). "Article Title." <i>Magazine Title</i> Date: Page # (s). Medium. | Armintor, Bob. "The Search for Hidden Life." <i>Newsweek</i> 22 Nov. 1999: 82-93. Print. |
| Journal with an Issue Number Author (if given). "Article Title." <i>Journal Title</i> Volume.Issue (Year): Page # (s). Medium. | Marsh, Charleen L. "Volcanic Seismology in California." <i>Geology</i> 17.4 (2004): 45-67. Print. |
| Journal without an Issue Number Author (if given). "Article Title." <i>Journal Title</i> Volume (Year): Page # (s). Medium. | Munton, Jessica. "Poe's Tales." <i>California Literary Review</i> 13 (2004): 156-68. Print. |
| Newspaper Author (if given). "Article Title." <i>Newspaper Title</i> Day Month Year, ed. (if needed): Page # (s). Medium. | "Spinal Stenosis in the Third World." <i>New York Times</i> 3 Sept. 1951, late ed.: B6-7. Print. |
| Newspaper (Article has non-consecutive pagination) Author (if given). "Article Title." <i>Newspaper Title</i> Day Month Year, ed. (if needed): Page # (s). Medium. | Burton, Matthew. "Out in Iraq." <i>Washington Post</i> 4 May 1948, early ed.: A1+. Print. |

Periodicals/Books from Databases:

| Pattern | Sample Citations |
|---|--|
| Book: Single Author Author. <i>Title</i> . Place: Publisher, Date. <i>Database</i> . Medium. Date of access. | Armintor, Bob. <i>Managing IP Networks</i> . New York: McGraw-Hill, 2005. <i>NetLibrary</i> . Web. 3 Sept. 2009. |
| Magazine Author (if given). "Article Title." <i>Magazine</i> . Date: Page # (s). <i>Database</i> . Medium. Date of access. | Bond, Bill. "In the Storm." <i>Time</i> . 19 Oct. 2005: 21-23. <i>EBSCOhost Academic Search Complete</i> . Web. 3 Sept. 2009. |
| Newspaper Author (if given). "Article Title." <i>Newspaper</i> Day Month Year, ed. (if needed): Page # (s). <i>Database</i> . Medium. Date of access. | "Spinal Stenosis in the Third World." <i>New York Times</i> 6 May 1951, late ed.: B6. <i>Lexis-Nexis News</i> . Web. 3 Sept. 2009. |
| Journal with Issue Number Author (if given). "Article Title." <i>Journal</i> Volume.Issue (Year): Page # (s). <i>Database</i> . Medium. Date of access. | Katel, Peter. "New Strategy in Iraq." <i>CQ Researcher</i> 17.8 (2007): 169-92. <i>CQ Electronic Library</i> . Web. 3 Sept. 2009. |
| Journal without Issue Number Author (if given). "Article Title." <i>Journal</i> Volume (Year): Page # (s). <i>Database</i> . Medium. Date of access. | Marsh, Charleen. "Volcanic Seismology in California." <i>Geology</i> 17 (2005): 45-67. <i>ProQuest Research Library</i> . Web. 3 Sept. 2009. |
| Essay or Selection from Literature Resource Center Author (if given). "Title of Essay or Selection." <i>Title of Book</i> . Ed. Editor(s). Vol. # (if given). Edition (if given). Place: Publisher, Date. Page # (s). <i>Database</i> . Medium. Date of access. | Bleiler, Richard. "Edgar Allan Poe, 1809-1849." <i>Science Fiction Writers</i> . Ed. John Bleiler. Vol. 1. 2nd ed. New York: Charles Scribner's Sons, 1999. 213-19. <i>Literature Resource Center</i> . Web. 3 Sept. 2009. |
| Essay or Selection from Literary Resource Center Author (if given). "Title of Essay or Selection." <i>Title of Book</i> . Ed. Editor(s). Vol. # (if given). Edition (if given). Place: Publisher, Date. Page # (s). <i>Database</i> . Medium. Date of access. | Matthiessen, F. O. "Method and Scope." <i>Bloom's Period Studies: American Renaissance</i> . Ed. Harold Bloom. New York: Infobase, 2004. 41-49. <i>Literature Resource Center</i> . Web. 3 Sept. 2009. |

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| <p>Newspaper Article from <i>Points of View Reference Center</i> Author (if given). "Article Title." <i>Newspaper</i> Day Month Year, ed. (if needed): Page #(s). (If no pagination given, use. n. pag.) <i>Database</i>. Medium. Date of access.</p> | <p>Sly, Liz. "Iraq Locks Down on Eve of Vote." <i>Chicago Tribune</i> 31 Jan. 2009: n. pag. <i>Points of View Reference Center</i>. Web. 3 Sept. 2009.</p> |
| <p>Essay or Selection from a Book in <i>Points of View Reference Center</i> Author (if given). "Title of Essay or Selection." <i>Title of Book</i>. Ed. Editor(s) (if given). Vol. # (if given). Edition (if given). Place: Publisher, Date. Page #(s). (If no pagination given, use. n. pag.) <i>Database</i>. Medium. Date of access.</p> | <p>Driscoll, Sally. "Global Warming: An Overview." <i>Points of View: Global Warming</i>. Great Neck Village, NY: Great Neck, 2007. 1. <i>Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center</i>. Web. 3 Sept. 2009.</p> |
| <p><i>Oxford English Dictionary</i> 2nd edition online "Word." Def. # (if using only one definition). <i>Title</i>. Edition (if given). Date. <i>Database</i>. Medium. Date of access.</p> | <p>"Create." Def. 3b. <i>The Oxford English Dictionary</i>. 2nd ed. 1989. <i>OED Online</i>. Web. 3 Sept. 2009.</p> |
| <p><i>Oxford English Dictionary Additions Series</i> online "Word." Def. # (if using only one definition). <i>Title</i>. Edition (if given). Date. <i>Database</i>. Medium. Date of access.</p> | <p>"Beautiful, a." <i>Oxford English Dictionary Additions Series</i>. 1993. <i>OED Online</i>. Web. 3 Sept. 2009.</p> |

Periodicals from the Internet -- Not from a Library Database:

| Pattern | Sample Citations |
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| <p>Magazine Author (if given). "Article Title." <i>Magazine Title</i> Website publisher (If no publisher, use n.p.). Date: Page #(s). (If no pagination given, use. n. pag.) Medium. Date of access.</p> | <p>Pedersen, Daniel. "The Search for Hidden Life." <i>Newsweek</i>. Newsweek. 22 Nov. 1999: 82-83. Web. 1 Jan. 2006.</p> |
| <p>Journal with Page Numbers and Issue Number Author (if given). "Article Title." <i>Journal Title</i>. Website publisher (If no publisher, use n.p.). Volume.Issue (If available) (Year): Page #(s) Medium. Date of access.</p> | <p>Eurgubian, Michael. "The Joy and Anguish of Solving Quadratic Equations." <i>Mathematics Journal</i>. Natl. Mathematics Consortium. 6.2 (2009): 125-37. Web. 3 Sept. 2009.</p> |
| <p>Journal without Page Numbers Author (if given). "Article Title." <i>Journal Title</i>. Website publisher (If no publisher, use n.p.). Volume.Issue (if available) (Year): Page #(s) (If no pagination given, use. n. pag.) Medium. Date of access.</p> | <p>Pieper, Barbara, et. al. "Pressure Ulcer Pain." <i>Ostomy Wound Management</i>. HMP Communications. 55.2 (2009): n. pag. Web. 1 Jan. 2009.</p> |
| <p>Journal without Issue Number Author (if given). "Article Title." <i>Journal Title</i>. Website publisher (If no publisher, use n.p.). Volume (Year): Page #(s) (If no pagination given, use. n. pag.) Medium. Date of access.</p> | <p>Sullivan, Bessie. "Homesteading in Colorado." <i>Historical Trends</i>. Colorado Historical Assoc. 4 (2009): 145-78. Web. 3 Sept. 2009.</p> |
| <p>Newspaper Author (if given). "Article Title." <i>Newspaper Title</i>. Website publisher (If no publisher, use n.p.). Day Month Year, ed. (if needed): Page #(s). (If no pagination given, use. n. pag.) Medium. Date of access.</p> | <p>"Spinal Stenosis in the Third World." <i>New York Times</i>. New York Times. 14 Feb. 2007. A12. Web. 1 Jan. 2009.</p> |

Internet Web Pages -- Not from a Library Database:

| Basic Pattern for Web Pages | |
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| <p>Author/Director/Compiler/Editor/Performer (if given). <i>Page Title (If the page is independent)</i> OR "Page Title." <i>Website Title. (If the page is part of a larger web site).</i> AND Version/Edition (if available). Publisher/Sponsor. (If none, use n.p.) Publication Date. (If no date, use n.d.) Medium. Date of Access.</p> | |
| Specific Patterns for Web Pages | Sample Citations |
| <p>Independent Page with a Title Author (if given). <i>Page Title.</i> Publisher/Sponsor. (If none, use n.p.) Publication Date. (If no date, use n.d.) Medium. Date of Access.</p> | <p>Stephan, Ed. <i>John Steinbeck: The California Novels.</i> n.p. 10 Dec. 2008. Web. 3 Sept. 2009.</p> |
| <p>Independent Page without Title Author. If no Title, use <i>Home page.</i> Publisher/Sponsor. (If none, use n.p.) Publication Date. (If no date, use n.d.) Medium. Date of Access.</p> | <p>Barker, Joe. <i>Home page.</i> n.p. 31 Dec. 2008. Web. 1 Jan. 2009.</p> |
| <p>Authored Page -- Part of a larger web site Author. "Page Title." <i>Website Title.</i> Publisher/Sponsor. (If none, use n.p.) Publication Date. (If no date, use n.d.) Medium. Date of Access.</p> | <p>Gallagher, Christine. "Religious Views on Organ/Tissue Donation and Transplantation." <i>LifeLink.</i> LifeLink Foundation. June 2008. Web. 1 Jan. 2009.</p> |
| <p>Anonymous Page -- Part of larger web site "Page Title." <i>Website Title.</i> Publisher/Sponsor. (If none, use n.p.) Publication Date. (If no date, use n.d.) Medium. Date of Access.</p> | <p>"Elder Abuse Information." <i>National Council on Child Abuse & Family Violence: The American Campaign for the Prevention of Child Abuse & Family Violence.</i> National Council on Child Abuse & Family Violence. 12 May 2008. Web. 1 Jan. 2009.</p> |
| <p>Sponsored Project -- Part of larger web site Author (if given). "Page Title." <i>Website Title.</i> Publisher/Sponsor. (If none, use n.p.) Publication Date. (If no date, use n.d.) Medium. Date of Access.</p> | <p>McNaron, Toni. "Alice Walker, b. 1944." <i>VG/Voices from the Gaps: Women Writers of Color.</i> Dept. of English. U of Minnesota. 2006. Web. 1 Jan. 2009.</p> |
| <p>Online News Provider -- Part of larger web site Author (if given). "Page Title." <i>Website Title.</i> Publisher/Sponsor. (If none, use n.p.) Publication Date. (If no date, use n.d.) Medium. Date of Access.</p> | <p>Steinhauser, Paul. "CNN Poll: Generations Disagree on Same-Sex Marriage." <i>CNN.com/US.</i> Cable News Network. Turner Broadcasting System. 4 May 2009. Web. 4 May 2009.</p> |
| Patterns for Govt. Web Pages | Sample Citations |
| <p>Government Publication Govt Agency. Sub-Agency[ies] (if any). <i>Title.</i> Author (if given). Publication Date. (If no date, use n.d.) Medium. Date of Access.</p> | <p>United States. Dept. of Justice. Natl. Inst. of Justice. <i>Threat Assessment: An Approach to Prevent Targeted Violence.</i> By Robert A. Fein. Sept. 2005. Web. 1 Jan. 2009.</p> |
| <p>U. S. Government Bill United States. Cong. Senate or House. <i>Title.</i> Cong. Session. Bill #. Place: Publisher, Date. Publication Date. (If no date, use n.d.) Medium. Date of Access.</p> | <p>United States. Cong. House of Representatives. <i>Bill to Control Water Rights.</i> 106th Cong., 1st sess. HR 391. Washington: GPO, 1999. Web. 1 Jan. 2009.</p> |
| <p>State Government Bill State. Senate or Assembly. <i>Title.</i> Session. Bill #. Place: Publisher, Date. Publication Date. (If no date, use n.d.) Medium. Date of Access.</p> | <p>California. Assembly. <i>Health Care Coverage.</i> 2003-2004 reg. sess. AB 37. Sacramento: OSP, 2002. Web. 1 Jan. 2009.</p> |

In-text Citations

Use in-text citations (parenthetical references) to document **your** use of material from another source. Place the citation in parentheses after the quote.

| Patterns for In-text Citations | Sample In-text Citations |
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| Single Author (Author page #). | “The 1897 Colorado blizzard was the most devastating on record” (Bolling 2). |
| Two Authors (1 st author and 2nd author page #). | “Cinematic prisms transmogrify individual existences” (Uhlman and Bergman 347). |
| Three Authors (1 st author, 2 nd author, and 3 rd author page #). | “These social facts find a new view of Mexico and its people” (Poll, Pit, and Diaz 22-23). |
| More than Three Authors (Author et al. page #). | “The quadratic equation symbolizes proximity to the divine” (Spencer et al. 354). |
| No Author – Listed by Title (<i>Shortened Title for Book</i> page #). | “Initial documentation was formulated by Kate Turabian” (<i>Chicago Manual</i> 3). |
| Article with Only One Page (Author. If no author, give “Shortened Title for Article”). <i>Eliminate page number.</i> | “The spine first bends through disc stress” (“Spinal Stenosis”). |
| Internet Document w/ Fixed Page Numbers (Author. If no author, give <i>Shortened Title</i> page #). <i>Since pagination may differ from printer to printer, page numbers of printouts should not be cited.</i> | “Lays and Fresca provide only 10% of the company’s profits” (Gallagher 2). |
| Internet Document with no Fixed Pages or Section Numbers Eliminate Page #(s) from In-text Citation (Author. If no author, give <i>Shortened Title</i>). | “Steinbeck proposed that the American political structure demonized the common man” (Stephan). |
| Rule: Excluding Author from Citation: When using the author’s name in a sentence, give only the page number(s) in the citation. | Bolling states, “These social facts support a new view of relationships between local friends ones across-the-miles” (2). |
| Rule: Long Quotation: Do not place quotation marks around a quote that is longer than four lines. Instead, indent the entire quote ten spaces. | Music from Mexico is varied, with a complex structural background. Pointing out that the <i>corrido</i> cannot be reduced to its major prototypes, Martinez argues for its origin in the poetry of the indigenous cultures of Mexico. (Poll, Pit, and Diaz 350-51) |
| Rule: Paraphrasing: Use the same rules for documenting paraphrases as the ones for documenting in-text citations. Do not enclose a paraphrase with quotation marks. | Bolling indicates that distance forges even stronger relationships, but only for those friends whose connections are durable and genuine (3-5). |

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