This handout is intended as a short guide for citing sources using MLA style. See the Chicago Manual of Style, 15th edition for a complete guide. It is available in the Quick Reference section of the Ablah Library located beside the reference desk. The call number is Z 253 .C57 15th.

The key to citing is to give the reader enough information to locate the source. Citations for different types of sources differ because the pieces of information needed to find those sources are different. Some common types of sources are listed below with directions on citing them along with examples. Consistency is essential.

**Journal Article**
Author(s). “Title of Article.” *Journal Title* Volume (Date of Publication), Page Numbers.

Example:

**Magazine Article**
Author(s). “Title of Article.” *Journal Title* Date of Publication, Page Numbers.

Examples:


**Book**
Author. *Title*. Place of Publication: Publisher, Year of Publication.

Example:
Entry in an Encyclopedia or Handbook
Author. “Title of article.” In Title of Encyclopedia or Handbook, edited by Editor(s), Page Numbers. Place of Publication: Publisher, Date of Publication.

Example:

Published Conference Article
Author. “Title of Article.” Title of Conference Proceedings. Title, Place, and Date of Conference (if not in proceedings title), Page Numbers. Place of Publication: Publisher, Year of Publication, Page Numbers.

Example:

Web Page
Author. “Title of Site,” URL (accessed Date Retrieved).

Example:

Sources That Have Both Print and Online Formats; Retrieved Online
Cite the same way as print sources of the same type, but add retrieval information including date retrieved and URL of database used.

Example:

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