# APA Citation and guidelines according to the 6<sup>th</sup> Edition

# Books

# -Book with one author

In text: author's last name (do not include suffixes such as Jr.) and year or publication (174)

Kessler (2003) found that among epidemiological samples

Early onset results in a more persistent and severe course (Kessler, 2003).

## On Reference page:

-Two or more books by the same author

<u>In text</u>: When a work has two authors, cite both names every time the reference occurs in text. When a work has three, four, or five authors, cite all authors the first time the reference occurs; in subsequent citations, include only the last name of the first author followed by et al. (include the period in the citation) and the year if it is the first citation of the reference within a paragraph (175)

Kisangau, Layaruu, Hosea, and Joseph (2007) found [Use as first citation in text]

Kisangau et al. (2007) found [Use as subsequent first citation per paragraph thereafter]

# -Book with No Author

<u>In text</u>: Cite in text the first few words of the reference list entry (usually the title) and the year. Use double quotation marks around the title of a chapter and italicize the title of a book (176)

on free care ("Study Finds," 2007")

the book College Bound Seniors (2008)

-A Work Prepared by an Editor (184)

Author, A. A. (2008) Title of chapter. In E. E. Editor (Ed.), Title of book (pp. xx-xx). Location: Publisher.

# -Article in a Reference Book (e.g. Encyclopedias, Dictionaries) (204)

VandenBos, G. R. (Ed.). (2007). APA dictionary of psychology. Washington, DC: American Psychological Association.

-Classical Works: when a date of publication is inapplicable, such as for some very old works, cite the year of translation you used, preceded by trans., or the year of the version you used

followed by version. When you know the original date of publication, include it in the citation (178-179)

(Aristotle, trans. 1931)

James (1890/1983)

1 Cor. 13:1 (Revised Standard Version)

(Qur'an 5:3-4)

## -Dissertations and Master's Theses

**Periodicals** (include items published on a regular basis such as journals, magazines, newspapers, and newsletters.

General reference form: (198)

Author, A.A., Author B.B., & Author C.C. (year). Title of article. Title of periodical, xx, pp-pp. doi:xx.xxxxxxxxx

## -Article in a Magazine (200)

Chamberlin, J., Novotney, A., Packard, E., & Price, M. (2008, May). Enhancing worker well-being: Occupational health psychologist convene to share their research on work, stress, and health. *Monitor on Psychology*, 39(5), 26-29.

#### -Article in a Newspaper (200)

Schwartz. J. (1993, September 30). Obesity affects economic, social status. The Washington Post, pp. A1, A4.

#### **Electronic Sources**

# -An Online Newspaper Article

Brody, J.E. (2007, December 11).Mental reserves keep brain agile. *The New York Times*. Retrieved from http://www.nytimes.com

#### -Films or Movies (209)

Producer, A.A. (Producer), & Director, B. B. (Director). (Year). Title of motion picture [Motion Picture]. Country of origin: Studio. **Music** (209)

Writer, A. (Copyright year).Title of song [Recorded by B. B. Artist if different from writer]. On Title of album [Medium of recording: CD, record, cassette, etc.] Location: Label. (Date of recording if different from song copyright date)

# Paper Formatting

Margins: page set-up should reflect 1" margins on all sides (page 229)

Font: Preferred typeface for APA is Times New Roman, with font size set at 12-point (228)

**Indentation and Alignment**: Indent the first line of each paragraph and the first line of every footnote. Use the tab key, which should be set at five to seven spaces, or ½ inch. Exceptions to this include: abstracts, block quotations, titles and headings, table titles and notes, and figure captions. Left align all text except for particular heading titles. Do not right and left justify or hyphenate words (page 229)

**Spacing**: The entire paper should be double-spaced including the reference list, figures, tables, quotations, titles, and headings (page 229)

**Title Page**: Your title page should include three components: title of the paper, author and institutional affiliation, and running head.

**Page Numbers**: Begin numbering your paper with the title page serving as page one. All page numbers should appear in the upper right hand corner with the document header. Identify each manuscript page with the running head (shortened name of title) along with the page number. Do not use your name to identify each page (230)

**References**: References start on a new page. The word *Reference* should appear in uppercase and lowercase, centered. Double space all reference entries. Subsequent lines of the reference are indented after the first. All references are listed alphabetically (37)

**Comas:** Use a comma after the and in a series of three or more (88)