

MLA STYLE GUIDELINES

Following are formatting guidelines for citing various types of sources, followed by examples. For situations not covered here, ask a librarian or consult the *MLA Style Guide* in the Ready Reference area.

Book

General Format: Author#1LastName, FirstName(s), and Author#2FirstName(s) Lastname.

Title of Book. Place of Publication: Publisher, Date of publication.

Single Author: Slavitt, David R. William Henry Harrison and Other Poems. Baton Rouge, LA: Louisiana

State University Press, 2006.

Two or Three Authors: Lathrop, Ann, and Kathleen Foss. <u>Guiding Students from Cheating and Plagiarism to</u>

Honesty and Integrity: Strategies for Change. Westport, CT: Libraries Unlimited, 2005.

More Than Three Authors: Folse, Keith S. et al. <u>Blueprints: Composition Skills for Academic Writing</u>. New York:

Houghton Mifflin Company, 2003.

Editor: A Coat of Many Colors: Immigration, Globalization, and Reform in New York City's

Garment Industry. Ed. Daniel Soyer. New York: Fordham Univ. Press, 2005.

Multi-volume Set: <u>Comedy: A Geographic and Historical Guide</u>. Ed. Maurice Charney. 2 vols. Westport,

CT: Praeger, 2005.

E-Books: Wilde, Oscar. The Picture of Dorian Gray. London: Penguin, 2000. Ed. Robert Mighall.

19 Mar. 2007. http://www.netlibrary.com.

Book Chapter/Essay/Article

General Format: AuthorLastName, FirstName(s). "Title of Book Chapter, Etc." Title of Book,

Anthology, or Collection. Place of Publication: Publisher, Date of publication. Page

numbers.

Essay: Mencken, H.L. "The Man Who Wasn't Fooled." Views of America. Ed. Alan F. Westin,

et. al. New York: Harcourt, Brace & World, 1966. 308-09.

Encyclopedia Article: "Information Theory." The Columbia Encyclopedia. 1993.

Berg, Jennifer. "Icon Foods." <u>Encyclopedia of Food and Culture</u>. Ed. Solomon H. Katz. Vol. 2. New York: Charles Scribner's Sons, 2003. 243-44. <u>Gale Virtual Reference</u>

Library. Thomson Gale. Coll. of San Mateo Lib., CA. 26 Mar. 2007

http://infotrac.galegroup.com.

Periodical Article (print)

Newspaper Article: AuthorLastName, FirstName(s). "Title of Article." <u>Title of Newspaper</u> [City of

Publication if Not Obvious or Well-Known] Day Month Year of Publication,

edition: page-numbers or initial-page+ if nonconsecutive.

Signed: Sterngold, James. "Prisons' Budget to Trump Colleges." San Francisco Chronicle 21

May 2007: A1.

Unsigned: "Airbus: Workers Protest Plans to Cut 10,000 Jobs." Wall Street Journal 19 Mar. 2007:

B2.

Magazine Article: AuthorLastName, FirstName(s). "Title of Article." Title of Magazine Day Month

Year of Publication: page-numbers or initial-page+ if nonconsecutive.

Unsigned: "American Mortgages: Bleak Houses." <u>The Economist</u> 17 Feb. 2007: 75-76.

Signed: Brown, Carolyn M. "More Bang for the Buck: Moving to Georgia Saved the Salmon

Family Thousands in Education Costs and Property Taxes." Black Enterprise Jan. 2007:

62-63.

Journal Article: Author#1LastName, FirstName(s), and Author#2FirstName(s) Lastname. "Title of

Article." <u>Title of Journal</u> Volume.Issue-if-needed (Year or Date of Publication):

Page numbers.

Signed: Brandtzaeg, Per. "Why We Develop Food Allergies." American Scientist 95.1 (Jan.-Feb.

2007): 28-35.

Book Review: Hamill, Pete. Rev. of <u>Dry Manhattan: Prohibition in New York City</u>, by Michael A.

Lerner. New York Times Book Review 11 Mar. 2007: 9.

Periodical Article (through online databases)

Format as above, but add information about online retrieval: <u>Title of Database</u>. Subscribing Library, Location of Library if Needed to Identify It. Day Month Year of access <URL of database search page>.

Newspaper Article (signed): Crawford, Barclay, and Lillian Goh. "Food Labels Failing Allergy Victims." South China

Morning Post Ltd. 16 May 2007. LexisNexis Academic. Coll. of San Mateo Lib., CA. 16

May 2007 http://web.lexis-nexis.com/universe.

Magazine Article (signed): O'Brien, Tom. "Doom and Gloom." America 21 May 2001: 31. Expanded Academic

ASAP. Thomson Gale Group. Coll. of San Mateo Lib., CA. 22 January 2007

http://infotrac.galegroup.com/itweb/?db=EAIM

Scholarly Journal: Brandtzaeg, Per. "Why We Develop Food Allergies." <u>American Scientist</u> 95.1 (Jan.-Feb.

2007): 28-35. Expanded Academic ASAP. Thomson Gale. Coll. of San Mateo Libr., CA.

22 May 2007 http://infotrac.galegroup.com/itweb/?db=EAIM>.

Web-Only Publications

Entire Website: Salon. 26 Mar 2007. http://www.salon.com>.

Online Magazine Article: Rybczynski, Witold. "Seattle's Best (and Worst): What Happens When Architecture Pays

Attention to Its Surroundings (and When It Doesn't)." Slate Magazine 16 May 2007. 22

May 2007 http://www.slate.com/id/2166300/fr/flyout.

Interviews

In Person: Miller, Susan. Personal interview. 25 Feb. 2007.

In Print: Kiarostami, Abbas. "Tales from Teheran." Interview with Deborah Solomon. New York

Times Magazine 11 Mar. 2007: 20.

Speeches Bush, George W. "State of the Union." White House, Washington, D.C. 23 Jan. 2007. 17

May 2007. http://www.whitehouse.gov/stateoftheunion/2007/index.html>.

Media Ford, John, dir. <u>The Grapes of Wrath</u>. 1940. DVD. 20th Century Fox Home

Entertainment, 2005.