

CITATION QUICK GUIDE: CSE (8TH ED.)

This guide is not comprehensive. For a full list of citation requirements, refer to *Scientific Style and Format*.

END REFERENCES OR LITERATURE CITED

(Located at the end of your paper)

WHAT IS IT?

An alphabetized list of your sources and their publication information

- Each source corresponds to one (or multiple) in-text citation(s)
- The list is alphabetized by the author or editor's last name (if there is no author or editor, alphabetize by the source's title)
- The list is formatted with hanging indentation
 - See sample below

HOW DO I CREATE ONE?

Each type of source (i.e., books, eBooks, print journal articles accessed online, online journal articles, websites, etc.) requires different information to be included in its bibliographic entry. To figure out what needs to be in each source, use this sheet the following resources:

1. Scientific Style and Format <http://www.scientificstyleandformat.org>
2. ConBio Style Guide for Authors
<https://conbio.org/publications/conservation-biology>

Note: These style guides have slightly different approaches to format. The important thing is to stay consistent.

IN-TEXT CITATION

(Located within your paper)

WHAT DO I INCLUDE?

Author's last name and year of publication

- Found within parentheses
- Directly after paraphrase, quote, or fact

Tip: *Scientific writing relies more on paraphrasing connected data, rather than the quoting of specific pieces of data from a single location.*

An in-text citation is placed directly following quote, paraphrase, or fact.

- An in-text citation should contain the following:
(Author's last name Source Year).
Ex: (Eckert 2012) Multiple authors ex: (Eckert 2012; Perry 1994)

TIP: *If you want to avoid parentheses, refer to the source's author and page number within the sentence that contains your quote, paraphrase, or fact.*

CSE STYLE: Important notes

- Scientific names should be in *italics*. The species name is capitalized and the genus is lowercase. Subsequent uses must be abbreviated.
Example: white oak (*Quercus alba*) First use: *Lonicera maackii* Second use: *L. maackii*
- Tenses change depending on the section and situation. Any verb that describes the methods or results should be in past tense. Any verb that refers to factual information should be in present tense.
- Language in scientific papers should be clear and concise. Omit flowery descriptions and include only what is necessary in description. Additionally, it is better to paraphrase evidence rather than a direct quotation.
- Genres of scientific papers can include lab reports, literature reviews, research reports, case studies, etc.

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PRINT BOOK

Last Name, First and Middle Initial. Date of publication. Title of Book. Edition. Place of publication: publisher. Pages.

Ex: Perry, DA. 1994. Forest Ecosystems. 1st ed. Baltimore (MD): Johns Hopkins University Press.

E-BOOK

Last Name, First and Middle Initial. Date of publication. Title of Book. Edition. Place of publication: publisher; [access date]. URL.

Ex: Dodds, WK. 2002. Freshwater ecology: concepts and environmental applications. San Diego (CA): Academic Press; [accessed 2017 Feb 2]. <http://site.ebrary.com/lib/prin/>.

WEBSITE

Author or organization. Date of publication. Title of page. Publisher, Place of publication. Available from URL (accessed Month Year).

Ex: U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service. 2017. National Wetlands Inventory. U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Falls Church, VA. Available from <https://www.fws.gov/wetlands/> (accessed Nov 2017).

JOURNAL ARTICLE FROM AN ONLINE DATABASE

Author(s). Date of publication. Title of article. Journal title Volume(issue):location.

Ex: Miller K.E. and D.L. Gorchoy. 2004. The invasive shrub, *Lonicera maackii*, reduces growth and fecundity of perennial forest herbs. *Oecologia* 139(3):359-375. DOI: 10.1007/s00442-004-1518-2.

DISSERTATION & THESIS

Author(s). Date. Title of dissertation or thesis [content designator]. Place of publication: publisher. Extent.

Ex: Lutz M. 1989. 1903: American nervousness and the economy of cultural change [dissertation]. [Stanford (CA)]: Stanford University.