
Chicago/Turabian Citation Style: Author-Date System

Formatting In-text Citations

In the author-date system, a source directly quoted within the body of the text requires the author, date of publication, and page number in a parenthetical reference:

- Thus, the military government felt that it needed to “legitimate its control by demonstrating that it was able to sustain economic growth in a time of crisis” (Floyd 1995, 53). [Note: The period appears after the parenthetical citation.]

An in-text citation with two or three authors requires the following parenthetical reference:

- (Goldstein and Langan 2007, 136). OR (Bovée, Cross, and Thill 2005, 355).

An in-text citation with four or more authors requires the following parenthetical reference:

- (Hodges et al. 2003, 128).

An in-text citation from a republished work requires the year the work was originally published in, as well as the year from the version being cited:

- (Austen [1813] 2003, 227).

If you use the author’s name to introduce the quotation, then you do not need to write it a second time. Cite the year in parentheses directly after the author’s name and include the page number following the quotation:

- As discussed by Floyd (1995), the military government felt that it needed to “legitimate its control by demonstrating that it was able to sustain economic growth in a time of crisis” (53).

Quotations longer than four lines are set off as a block quotation. Quotation marks are not used to enclose the passage. Block quotations are single-spaced, indented and should always begin on a new line. The source will appear in parentheses after the final punctuation of the quotation.

Joanne Buckley (2004) states:

Too many consecutive short sentences in a passage can make your writing seem mechanically repetitive and choppy. As well, probably not all of the ideas in the string of short sentences are equally important. Some sentence ideas you might wish to emphasize, some you might want to de-emphasize, and some ideas in pairs of sentences you might consider balancing. (365-66) [Note: the period comes before the citation in a block quote.]

If you are not referring directly to an idea from a specific passage or place in the original text, you must still cite the source but may omit the page number.

Formatting Page Numbers

- On pages where a title appears (i.e., the first page of your essay, the start of a new chapter, or the References page), the page number is centered at the bottom.
- For all other pages, the page number should appear in the top right.

Formatting Reference Entries

- A basic reference entry in the author-date system requires the following information and format:

Last name, First name. Year. *Title of Book*. Place of publication: Publisher.

- If there are multiple authors, all additional authors' names appear in First name Last name order.
- If you are creating reference entries for multiple works by the same author, list them in order of year of publication, and all subsequent entries can use the 3-em dash (see the example for Russell, David on the sample References page).
- All reference entries are arranged alphabetically, single spaced, with an extra space between entries.
- For examples of different types of sources, please review the sample References page.

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