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Books

One author

IN-TEXT CITATION	(Doniger 1999, 65–66)
REFERENCE LIST ENTRY	Doniger, Wendy. 1999. <i>Splitting the Difference</i> . Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

Source: CMOS 15.9.

Two or three authors

IN-TEXT CITATION	(Cowlshaw and Dunbar 2000, 104–107) (Jacobstein, Mersky, and Dunn 2000, 198)
REFERENCE LIST ENTRY	Cowlshaw, Guy, and Robin Dunbar. 2000. <i>Primate Conservation Biology</i> . Chicago: University of Chicago Press. Jacobstein, J. Myron, Roy M. Mersky, and Donald J. Dunn. 1994. <i>Fundamentals of Legal Research</i> . 6th ed. Westbury, New York: Foundation Press.

Source: CMOS 15.9.

Four or more authors

Include all names in the reference list entry, but only the first surname followed by “et al.” in the in-text citation.

IN-TEXT CITATION	(Laumann et al. 1994, 262)
REFERENCE LIST ENTRY	Laumann, Edward O., John H. Gagnon, Robert T. Michael, and Stuart Michaels. 1994. <i>The Social Organization of Sexuality: Sexual Practices in the United States</i> . Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

Source: CMOS 15.9, 15.29.

Editor, translator, or compiler instead of author

“When no author appears on the title page, a work is listed by the name(s) of the editor(s), compiler(s), or translator(s).” (CMOS 14.103) Use *ed.*, *eds.*, *trans.*, *comp.*, or *comps.* in reference list entry, not in in-text citation. (CMOS 15.36)

IN-TEXT CITATION	(Hall 1991, 42) (Lattimore 1951, 87)
REFERENCE LIST ENTRY	Hall, David D., ed. 1991. <i>Witch-Hunting in Seventeenth-Century New England: A Documentary History, 1638-1693</i> . 2nd ed. N.p.: Duke University Press. https://doi.org/10.1215/9780822382201 . Lattimore, Richmond, trans. 1951. <i>The Iliad of Homer</i> . Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

Source: CMOS 15.9, 15.36, 14.132.

Organization as author

If no personal name is listed as author on the title page, then the organization that issued the publication may be given as author in the reference list and the in-text citation. (CMOS 15.37)

IN-TEXT CITATION	(Association of the Menhaden Oil and Guano Manufacturers of Maine 1878, 18)
REFERENCE LIST ENTRY	Association of the Menhaden Oil and Guano Manufacturers of Maine. 1878. <i>The Menhaden Fishery of Maine: With Statistical and Historical Details, Its Relations to Agriculture, and as a Direct Source of Human Food; New Processes, Products, and Discoveries</i> . Portland: B. Thurston. https://hdl.handle.net/2027/hvd.32044107318388 .

Source: CMOS 15.37.

Unknown author

“If the author, editor, translator, or the like for the work is unknown, the reference list entry should normally begin with the title. An initial article is ignored in alphabetizing. Text citations may refer to a short form of the title but must include the first word (other than an initial article).” (CMOS 15.34)

IN-TEXT CITATION	(<i>Business Booms and Depressions since 1775</i> 1943) (<i>Business Booms and Depressions</i> 1943) (<i>Business</i> 1943)
REFERENCE LIST ENTRY	<i>Business Booms and Depressions since 1775: An Accurate Charting of the Past and Present Trend of Price Inflation, Federal Debt, Business, National Income, Stocks and Bond Yields, with a Special Study of Postwar Periods</i> . 1943. Toledo, Ohio: The Century Press. http://fraser.stlouisfed.org/publications/bb/issue/5069/download/85250/1943chart_busibooms.pdf .

Source: CMOS 15.34, 15.39.

Book published electronically

For books requiring a specific application or device, the format (if available), name of the application, and/or the device used must be specified. (CMOS 14.159) ◊ If page numbers are not fixed, consider including a chapter number, section heading, location number such as loc. 382 of 1288, etc. instead. (CMOS 14.160, 14.161) ◊ For more information on URLs and access date, see "Discussion" below.

IN-TEXT CITATION	(Association of the Menhaden Oil and Guano Manufacturers of Maine 1878, 45) (Austen 2007, loc. 382 of 1288) (Kurland and Lerner 1987, chap. 10, doc. 19) (Lovitch 2017, 41)
REFERENCE LIST ENTRY	Association of the Menhaden Oil and Guano Manufacturers of Maine. 1878. <i>The Menhaden Fishery of Maine: With Statistical and Historical Details, Its Relations to Agriculture, and as a Direct Source of Human Food; New Processes, Products, and Discoveries</i> . Portland: B. Thurston. https://hdl.handle.net/2027/hvd.32044107318388 . Austen, Jane. 2007. <i>Pride and Prejudice</i> . New York: Penguin Classics. Kindle. Kurland, Philip B., and Ralph Lerner, eds. 1987. <i>The Founders' Constitution</i> . Chicago: University of Chicago Press. http://press-pubs.uchicago.edu/founders/ . Lovitch, Derek, ed. 2017. <i>Birdwatching in Maine: A Site Guide</i> . Hanover: University Press of New England. https://cbbcat.net/record=b4861648~S21 .

Source: CMOS 15.4.

Chapter, essay, or other part of a book

IN-TEXT CITATION	(Wiese 2006, 101–102) ("Anti-Terror Bill" 2002, 14-4)
REFERENCE LIST ENTRY	Wiese, Andrew. 2006. "The House I Live in: Race, Class, and African American Suburban Dreams in the Postwar United States." In <i>The New Suburban History</i> , edited by Kevin M. Kruse and Thomas J. Sugrue, 99–119. Chicago: University of Chicago Press. "Anti-Terror Bill Zooms Into Law." 2002. In <i>CQ Almanac 2001</i> , 14-3–14-6. Washington, DC: Congressional Quarterly. http://library.cqpress.com/cqalmanac/cqal01-106-6376-328229 .

Source: CMOS 15.9, 15.39.

Journals, magazines, and newspapers

Scholarly journal

In the Reference List, show volume number. Show issue number, month, or season, if available, in parentheses (CMOS 15.47, 15.48). ♦ For guidance on URLs and when to use the access date, see “Discussion” below.

IN-TEXT CITATION	(Karmaus and Riebow 2004, 645) (Kossinets and Watts 2009, 411) (Novak 2008, 758) (Smith 1998, 639)
REFERENCE LIST ENTRY	Karmaus, Wilfried, and John F. Riebow. 2004. “Storage of Serum in Plastic and Glass Containers May Alter the Serum Concentration of Polychlorinated Biphenyls.” <i>Environmental Health Perspectives</i> 112 (May): 643–47. http://www.jstor.org/stable/3435987 . Kossinets, Gueorgi, and Duncan J. Watts. 2009. “Origins of Homophily in an Evolving Social Network.” <i>American Journal of Sociology</i> 115: 405–50. Accessed February 28, 2010. https://doi.org/10.1086/599247 . Novak, William J. 2008. “The Myth of the ‘Weak’ American State.” <i>American Historical Review</i> 113: 752–72. https://doi.org/10.1086/ahr.113.3.752 . Smith, John Maynard. 1998. “The Origin of Altruism.” <i>Nature</i> 393 (6686): 639–40.

Source: CMOS 15.4, 15.9, 15.47, 15.48.

Popular magazine article

“Repeat the year of publication with the month and day to avoid any confusion.” (CMOS 15.49)

IN-TEXT CITATION	(Martin 2002, 84)
REFERENCE LIST ENTRY	Martin, Steve. 2002. “Sports-Interview Shocker.” <i>New Yorker</i> , May 6, 2002.

Source: CMOS 15.49.

Newspaper article

“Repeat the year of publication with the month and day to avoid any confusion.” (CMOS 15.49) ♦ “If a newspaper article is unsigned, the title of the newspaper stands in place of the author.” (CMOS 15.49) ♦ Except for well-known national newspapers in the U.S., the name of the city should be added after the title (not italicized, in parentheses) if not already included in the title; the name of the state, province, or nation may be added if needed. (CMOS 14.193) ♦ Include a time stamp after the date for online articles if available and as appropriate. ♦ Include information about the edition or section as appropriate. ♦ Note that page numbers are omitted, since they can vary in different editions of the newspaper. ♦ For more information on URLs and access date, see “Discussion” below.

IN-TEXT CITATION	(Niederkorn 2002) (<i>The Washington Post</i> 2018)
REFERENCE LIST ENTRY	Niederkorn, William S. 2002. “A Scholar Recants on his ‘Shakespeare’ Discovery.” <i>New York Times</i> , June 20, 2002. Arts section, Midwest edition. <i>The Washington Post</i> . 2018. “Mr. Trump, Tilting at Free Trade.” January 12, 2018. Academic Search Complete (EBSCO).

Source: CMOS 15.4, 15.49.

Web pages and websites

Include owner or sponsor; title or description of page being cited, if any; “(website)” or “(web page)” if “the nature of the source may otherwise be unclear”; title or description of website; date of publication or revision, otherwise access date; and URL. (CMOS 15.50, 14.207) ♦ “Repeat the year with the month and day to avoid any confusion.” (CMOS 15.50) ♦ “When only an access date is used, record *n.d.* as the date of publication in the reference list entry and for the in-text citation.” (CMOS 15.50) ♦ For more information on URLs, see “Discussion” below.

IN-TEXT CITATION	(Bowdoin College Library 2018) (University of Ottawa, n.d.)
REFERENCE LIST ENTRY	Bowdoin College Library. 2018. “Newspapers: Foreign & Foreign Language.” Last updated January 22, 2018. https://bowdoin.libguides.com/newspapers/foreign . University of Ottawa, n.d. “The Arrival of the Loyalists in Canada”. Site for Language Management in Canada (SLMC). Accessed November 21, 2017. https://slmc.uottawa.ca/?q=arrival_loyalists .

Source: CMOS 15.50.

In-text citations

“Two or more works by the same author in the same year must be differentiated by the addition of a, b, and so forth (regardless of whether they were authored, edited, compiled, or translated) and are listed alphabetically by title. Text citations consist of author and year plus letter.” (CMOS 15.20) ♦ For additional examples of in-text citations, see examples throughout this guide.

IN-TEXT CITATION	<p>(Doniger 1999, 65–66) <i>[After attributed text. Most subsequent examples are given in this form.]</i></p> <p>(Doniger 1999, 2017) <i>[Citing additional work by same author published in a different year.]</i></p> <p>(Doniger 1980a, 134) <i>[Two works by same author, same year.]</i></p> <p>(Doniger 1980b, 30-31) <i>[Two works by same author, same year.]</i></p> <p>(Doniger 1999, 92; 2017, 29) <i>[Citing additional work by same author, with page numbers.]</i></p> <p>(Doniger 1999, 92; Cowlishaw and Dunbar 2000, 43) <i>[Citing additional work by another author(s).]</i></p> <p>Doniger (1999, 65–66) <i>[Embedded in the text.]</i></p> <p>(<i>Business Booms and Depressions</i> 1943) <i>[No author provided.]</i></p>
REFERENCE LIST ENTRY	<p><i>Business Booms and Depressions since 1775: An Accurate Charting of the Past and Present Trend of Price Inflation, Federal Debt, Business, National Income, Stocks and Bond Yields, with a Special Study of Postwar Periods.</i> 1943. Toledo, Ohio: The Century Press. http://fraser.stlouisfed.org/publications/bb/issue/5069/download/85250/1943chart_busibooms.pdf.</p> <p>Doniger, Wendy. 1980a. <i>Karma and Rebirth in Classical Indian Traditions</i>. Berkeley: University of California Press.</p> <p>Doniger, Wendy. 1980b. <i>Women, Androgynes, and Other Mythical Beasts</i>. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.</p> <p>Doniger, Wendy. 2017. <i>The Ring of Truth and Other Myths of Sex and Jewelry</i>. New York: Oxford University Press.</p>

Source: CMOS 15.20, 15.25, 15.30.

Discussion

This guide is based on *The Chicago Manual of Style*, Chicago: University of Chicago Press, 17th ed., 2017. Main Ref Desk Z253 .U69 2017. The complete *Chicago Manual of Style* (CMOS) is also available online for Bowdoin College users, <<https://cbbcat.net/record=b5055626~S19>>. ♦ CMOS provides two basic documentation systems, Notes and Bibliography and Author-Date. This guide covers the Author-Date system. Many of the examples and quoted text in this guide are taken from Chapter 15 of CMOS. For cases not covered there, adapt examples from chapter 14 (CMOS 15.1-15.3, 15.32).

URLs. When citing an online source, include a URL, preferably (1) a DOI-based URL (beginning with “<https://doi.org/>”) or a Handle-based URL (beginning with “<https://hdl.handle.net/>”); (2) otherwise, a URL labelled as persistent or stable or a permalink; (3) otherwise, a standard URL. (CMOS 14.6, 14.8, 14.9) To create a URL from a DOI such as “doi:10.1086/679716”, append that DOI to “<https://doi.org/>” to create a URL of the form “<https://doi.org/10.1086/679716>”. (CMOS 14.8) ♦ “For a source consulted via a library or other commercial bibliographic database and available only through a subscription or library account, it may be best to name the database in lieu of a URL. [...] A URL that leads to information about the source, if not full access to it, is safe to use.” (CMOS 14.11) ♦ The domain name, e.g. <https://books.google.com/>, or name of the database may be substituted for a very long URL for “formally published resources” such as Google Books. (CMOS 14.10)

Access dates. “Chicago does not [...] require access dates in its published citations of electronic sources unless no date of publication or revision can be determined from the source.” (CMOS 14.12) Nevertheless, some publishers, disciplines, or professors may require access dates.

Other best practices. “In many cases the contents of the print and electronic forms of the same publication are intended to be identical. [...] In practice, because there is always the potential for differences, intentional or otherwise, authors should cite the version consulted.” (CMOS 14.16) ♦ “As long as a consistent style is maintained within any one work, logical and defensible variations on the style illustrated in this chapter and in chapter 15 are acceptable if agreed to by author and publisher.” (CMOS 14.4)

Other issues.

- More than ten authors, etc.: CMOS 14.76
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