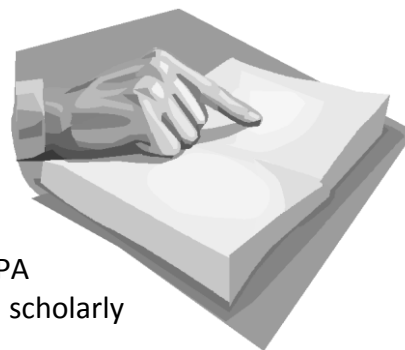


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The rules developed by the American Psychological Association (APA) do not cover every possible source of information that you might want to cite in a paper. “The *Publication Manual* presents explicit style requirements but acknowledges that alternatives are sometimes necessary; authors should balance the rules with good judgement” (American Psychological Association, p. 5). The intention of the APA style is to direct the reader to sources which were used to write a scholarly paper.



The resources provided in VIU’s Writing Centre Workshops cannot provide you with comprehensive guidance for citing all sources of information in the print, visual, audio, and electronic worlds. However, you can learn how to find information for citing the works of others, as well as some guidance on the citation format for common resources.

If you have doubts about how to cite a source, we recommend that you use one of the APA Manuals available in the VIU Writing Centre. You can also visit the APA website where you will find some very helpful tutorials (<http://www.apastyle.org/>).

Links Relating to APA

- Concordia University: <http://library.concordia.ca/help/howto/apa.php>
- Learning APA: <http://www.apastyle.org/learn/index.aspx>
- The OWL at Purdue: <http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/560/01/>
- Red Deer College Library.
<http://rdc.libguides.com/content.php?pid=51657&sid=379133>
- VIU’s Writing Centre website (Resources page):
<http://www.viu.ca/writingcentre/StudentResources.asp>

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