

APA In-Text Citations

(Parenthetical Documentation)

In-text citations enable your professor to know what sources you used for your research and exactly where in those sources the information originated.

The examples below are based on the *Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association*, 6th edition.

author's name is part of the narrative	Hall (2012) asserts that family members need to respect the patient's choice of end of life directives even if it conflicts with their personal desires.
author's name is not part of the narrative	According to a recent study African American grandmothers experience more stress due to lack of knowledge of support services (Carr & Smith, 2012).
two authors: cite both names for every reference	Older unpaid caregivers are more susceptible to mental and physical decline due to lack of physical activity (Kramer & Carrion, 2012).
three, four or five authors first time: include all authors	Surprisingly, poor oral health of residents in long term care facilities can lead to stroke, heart disease, and pneumonia if they have other diseases (Lane, Burke and Cook, 2010).
three, four or five authors second time: use only the surname of the 1 st author followed by et al.	Due to a limited number of oral health professionals, long term care facilities rely on self-implementation (Lane et al., 2010).
six or more authors: first author followed by et al. in all citations; (list first 6 authors and shorten remaining authors to et al. in reference list)	Residents of nursing homes that must be evacuated due to hurricane warnings should be transferred to high schools (not elementary schools) due to the height of the toilets (Manning, et al., 2009).
no author: use first few words from reference list; i.e. title of chapter or article title	Imbalance of antielastase and elastase decrease elasticity to the walls of the alveolar (Chronic obstructive, 2012).
quotation	Urinary incontinence rates “were significantly higher for African Americans, in general, and African American men, in particular” (Boyington et at., 2012, p. 99).
Direct quote from work with no page numbers (include section heading and paragraph number to help guide reader to text).	“Cirrhosis was previously thought to be an irreversible condition; now, however, it is recognized that fibrosis may be reversed when the underlying cause is eliminated” (“Nursing care,” 2010, The patient with cirrhosis, para. 8).