

AMA (11th Ed)

Citation Examples

For additional help with using the AMA citation style, please refer to *AMA Manual of Style*.

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Article Examples

Journal Article (AMA 3.11)

Author Last name and Initial(s). Title: subtitle [if any]. *Abbreviated journal title*. year;volume#(issue#):page-range [or e-locator]. doi [or url]

Obama B. United States health care reform: progress to date and next steps. *JAMA*. 2016;316(5):525-532. doi:10.1001/jama.2016.9797

(Always prioritize doi over web address, if available. If in print, leave off both.)

Article from Online Database (AMA 3.11.4)

Author Last name and Initial(s). Title: subtitle [if any]. *Abbreviated Database*. year;volume#(issue#):Page-range. doi/url

Frazer K, Callinan JE, McHugh J, et al. Legislative smoking bans for reducing harms from secondhand smoke exposure, smoking prevalence and tobacco consumption. *Cochrane Database Syst Rev*. 2016;(1):CD005992. doi:10.1002/14651858.CD005992.pub3

Advance Online Publication (AMA 3.11.4.1)

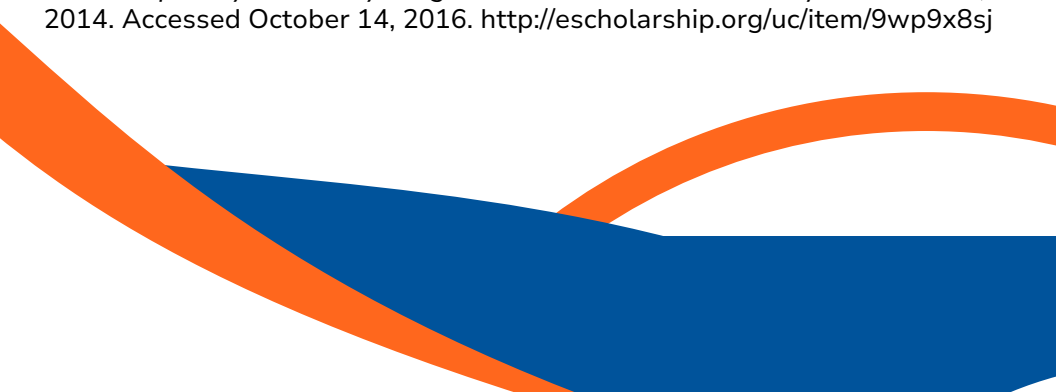
Author Last name and Initial(s). Title: subtitle [if any]. *Abbreviated journal*. [Type of preprint] posted online [date]. doi/url

Bloss CS, Wineinger NE, Peters M, et al. A prospective randomized trial examining health care utilization in individuals using multiple smartphone-enabled biosensors. *PeerJ*. 2016;4:e1554. doi:10.7717/peerj.1554

Thesis or Dissertation (AMA 3.13.4)

Author Last name and Initial(s). Title. Master's Thesis [or Dissertation]. Name of University; Year. [if accessed online, add doi or accessed date/url]

Ghanbari S. *Integration of the Arts in STEM: A Collective Case Study of Two Interdisciplinary University Programs*. Dissertation. University of California; 2014. Accessed October 14, 2016. <http://escholarship.org/uc/item/9wp9x8sj>



Items* with Two or More Authors (AMA 3.7)

First Author Last name and Initial(s), Second Author Last name and Initial(s), Third Author Last name and Initial(s), et al. Title: subtitle [if any]. Abbreviated journal title. year;volume#(issue#):page-range [or e-locator]. doi [or url]

For items written by 1-6 authors, list every author in the Reference.

Ray JC, Kusumoto F, Goldschlager N. A case of P-wave mimicry: *cherchez le P*. JAMA Intern Med. Published online August 3, 2015.
doi:10.1001/jamainternmed.2015.3342

NOTE: The subtitle is not usually italicized. Here it is because it is in another language. When in doubt, follow the format of the original.

For items written by 7+ authors, list only the first three followed by "et al."

Khatri A, Naeger Murphy N, Wiest P, et al. Community-acquired pyelonephritis in pregnancy caused by KPC-producing *Klebsiella pneumoniae*. Antimicrob Agents Chemother. 2015;59(8):4375-4378.
doi:10.1128/AAC.00553-15

**The rules for multiple authors apply to articles, books and other forms of media.*

A Note on Titles... (AMA 3.9.1)

Titles of **books, government**

bulletins, documents, and pamphlets use "title casing" (every major word is capitalized). For titles of **articles**, only capitalize (1) the first letter of the first word, (2) proper names, (3) names of clinical trials or study groups, and (4) abbreviations that are usually capitalized (like DNA, RNA, etc.). Only use quotation marks if used in the source's title.

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Book Examples

Book/Ebook (AMA 3.12)

Author/Editor Last name and Initial(s). *Book Title*. Publisher; Year of publishing. [if accessed online, add doi or accessed date/url]

World Health Organization. *Health Worker Roles in Providing Safe Abortion Care and Post-abortion Contraception*. World Health Organization; 2015. Accessed August 15, 2016. <https://srhr.org/safeabortion/>

Book with Multiple Editions (AMA 3.12.7)

Author/Editor Last name Initial(s). *Title of book*. #st ed. Publisher; Year of publishing. [if accessed online, add doi or accessed date/url]

Katz JR, Carter CJ, Lyman Kravits S, Bishop J, Block J. *Keys to Nursing Success*. 3rd rev ed. Prentice Hall; 2009.

Edited/Translated Book (AMA 3.12.5)

Author Last name Initial(s). *Title of book*. Editor Last name Initial(s), ed. [or trans. trans-ed. as applicable] Publisher; Year:page range. [if accessed online, add doi or accessed date/url]

Blumenthal DK, Garrison JC. Pharmacodynamics: molecular mechanisms of drug actions. In: Bunton LL, ed. Chabner BA, Knollmann BC, associate eds. *Goodman and Gilman's The Pharmacological Basis of Therapeutics*. 12th ed. McGraw-Hill Education; 2011:41-72.

A Little Welder Wisdom...

When searching the databases

(<https://libguide.umary.edu/az/databases>), open your search to related disciplines. For example, a topic of “work-life balance” may be for a business class, but that doesn’t mean you should only search business databases. A lot of psychologists are *also* studying that topic, as are high-burnout professions such as nursing. Think outside the box!

Chapter or Section in an Anthology (AMA 3.12.4)

Author Last name and Initial(s). Chapter title. In: Editor Last name Initial(s), ed. *Book Title*. Publisher; Year of publishing:page-range. [if accessed online, add doi or accessed date/url]

Boushey CJ. Application of research paradigms to nutrition practice. In: Coulston AM, Boushey CJ, Ferruzzi MG, eds. *Nutrition in the Prevention and Treatment of Disease*. 3rd ed. Academic Press; 2013:99-105.

Dictionary/Thesaurus/Encyclopedia (AMA 3.12)

Title of work. #st ed. Publisher; Year of publishing. doi/url

Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary. 11th ed. Merriam-Webster Inc; 2003. [continuously updated] <https://merriam-webster.com>

Scripture and other Classical Works (AMA 3.13.11)

When using the AMA Manual of Style, references to scriptural/classical works are unusual, and typically do not require complete publication information. If needed, refer to the Chicago Manual of Style for guidance citing these works.

Aristotle. *Metaphysics*. 3. 2.966b 5-8.

1 Corinthians 10:6-13 (RSV)

A Little Welder Wisdom...

When crafting a PICO(T) question, be wary of the (very common) pitfall of writing a question that requires you to do original research to answer. Consider if your chosen population is too narrow, or if the medication/method being examined is too new to have much published research. Be daring, but don't be discouraged if you need to adjust based on the available literature.

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Other Examples

Conference Paper (AMA 3.13.8)

Author Last name and Initial(s). Title of paper. Paper presented at: Conference name; Date; Location. [if viewed online, add doi or accessed date/url]

Morales M, Zhou X. Health practices of immigrant women: indigenous knowledge in an urban environment. Paper presented at: 78th Association for Information Science and Technology Annual Meeting; November 6-10, 2015; St. Louis, MO. Accessed March 15, 2016. <https://dl.acm.org/doi/10.5555/2857070.2857108>

Government Document (AMA 3.15.5)

Author name [or Authoring Organization]. Title of bulletin. Date of publication/update/access [often only the access date is available]. doi/url

World Health Organization. Infection prevention and control: recovery plans and implementation: Guinea, Liberia, and Sierra Leone inter-country meeting: July 20-22, 2015. Accessed March 3, 2016. http://apps.who.int/iris/bitstream/10665/204370/1/WHO_HIS_SDS_2015.23_eng.pdf

Transcript of Audiovisual Material (AMA 3.14.5)

Title of item. Transcript. Show Name [if applicable]. Publisher/Producer. Date. Access date and url

Heroin in the heartland. Transcript. 60 Minutes. CBS television. January 24, 2016. Accessed October 20, 2016. <http://www.cbsnews.com/news/heroin-in-the-heartland-60-minutes/>

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Blog and Social Media (AMA 3.15.4)

Handle/Name of Poster. Title [or entire post, if untitled]. Date of posting. Access date and url

@AMAManual. Double negatives can be used to express a positive, but this yields a weaker affirmative than the simpler positive and may be confusing. "Our results are not inconsistent with the prior hypothesis." "That won't do you no good." And the classic: "I can't get no satisfaction." March 7, 2019. Accessed March 10, 2019.

<https://twitter.com/AMAManual/status/1103678998327017483>

Podcast Episode (AMA 3.14.2)

Host name [if relevant]. Episode title. *Podcast Title*. Date. Access date and url

Interview with Charles Harding, author of "Breast Cancer Screening, Incidence, and Mortality Across US Counties," and Joann G. Elmore, author of "Effect of Screening Mammography on Cancer Incidence and Mortality". *JAMA Intern Med*. July 6, 2015. Accessed June 18, 2019.

<https://edhub.ama-assn.org/jn-learning/audio-player/11054180>

Video (AMA 3.14.1)

Primary Creator Last Name and Initial(s). Title of Item. Medium. Publisher/Distributor; Year of publication. url [if available]

Moyers B. *On Our Own Terms: Moyers on Dying*. DVD. Thirteen/WNET; 2000. <https://billmoyers.com/series/on-our-own-terms-moyers-on-dying/>

Webpage without Named Author (AMA 3.15.3)

Webpage title. Publishing Group [or Website Name]. Date published [if available]. Updated Date [if available]. Accessed Date. URL

Zika travel information. Centers for Disease Control Prevention. January 26, 2016. Updated August 11, 2016. Accessed June 18, 2019.

<https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/page/zika-travel-information>

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About AMA Style

The American Medical Association (AMA) style of citation primarily consists of in-text, parenthetical citations with a Reference list (bibliography) at the end of the project. The AMA style is primarily used by the medical field.

Formatting a Paper

For complete details, reference the official AMA Manual of Style, 11th ed. You can find more guidance here: <https://libguide.umary.edu/citations/AMAStyle>.

The AMA Manual of Style does not provide much guidance for formatting papers, as it is generally not intended for student papers. These recommendations are basic guidelines for research papers, as well as specifics taken from the “University of Mary Department of Physical Therapy Research Handbook” (2024):

Overall Paper

- Margins should be 1" on the top, bottom, and right, and 1.5" on the left. (running headers/page numbers not included)
- Number all pages using a running header in the upper right-hand corner. The title page is page number 1.
- Typeface must be easy to read, recommended is Times New Roman.
- Font size must be between 11-13pt. Most professors want 12pt.

Title Page

- Center the title page. Use the same font as the rest of the paper.
- Position the title a few lines down from the top of the page

Reference Page

- Center the heading “References” at the top of the reference list.
- Start entries on the next double-spaced line (no extra spaces).
- End each citation entry with a period (.).