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APA Guide for Theses, Dissertations & Research Projects

NEW UPDATES



We are excited to announce that the university has subscribed to EastLaw, a new database designed specifically for the law program.

With its powerful search tools and user-friendly interface, EastLaw will provide easy access to a wealth of legal materials with the latest developments in the field. This addition will greatly enhance the research capabilities of our law program and support the academic success of our law students and faculty.

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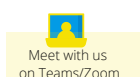
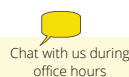
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BUID FORMATTING WITH APA- A QUICK GUIDE

If you are writing a paper that calls for APA formatting, your paper should:

- Be double-spaced with one-inch margins on each side
- Use a recommended font style (12-point Times New Roman)
- Have a page header that places the page number on the top right-hand side of each page, flush with the margin.
- Contain four basic sections:
 - Preliminary pages- Title Page; declaration and copyright page; abstracts in English and Arabic; dedication and acknowledgement; table of contents; list of tables, figures and abbreviations.
 - Main body – an in-depth explanation of all the categories discussed above, as well as a discussion about what the research means or could mean
 - References & Appendices – resources used in the course of conducting the research and analyzing the results
- Heading level 1 must be centre aligned.
- Heading level 2 must be left aligned.
- Heading level 3 must be in italics.
- Heading level 4 must be indented and must have a style separator (ctrl+Alt+Enter).
- Heading level 5 must be indented, in italics and must have a style separator.
- Figures must be left aligned.
- Table borders must be formatted.
- Figure captions and table titles must be in double line format.
- Page numbering should be on the right side of the top margin.
- Abstracts should be in one single paragraph and should not be indented.
- All heading levels and subheadings must be title cased.
- Use hanging indentation for the references.
- The List of abbreviations should not be in a table.
- Indent all paragraphs excluding the Abstracts.

CITING WITH APA- A QUICK GUIDE



Here are examples of how to cite different types of sources in APA 7th edition format:

Book: Author(s). (Year). *Title of the book* (Edition, if applicable). Publisher.
Example: Smith, J. A. (2019). *Introduction to psychology* (3rd ed.). Pearson.

You may add the DOI if it is available-
Example:

Johnson, M. B. (2020). *Understanding human behavior* (2nd ed.). Wiley.
<https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-030-12345-6>

Journal article: Author(s). (Year). Title of the article. *Title of the Journal, Volume(Issue)*, page range. DOI (if available)

Example: Brown, L. H. (2018). The role of cognitive development in early education. *Journal of Educational Psychology*, 45(2), 123-135.
(You may add the DOI if it is available.)

CITING WITH APA CONTD.

Journal article: Author(s). (Year). Title of the article. *Title of the Journal*, Volume(Issue), page range. URL or DOI

Example: Taylor, S. P., & Green, K. J. (2020). The impact of online learning on student engagement. *Journal of Online Education*, 12(3), 45-56.

(You may add the DOI if it is available)

Newspaper article: Author(s). (Year, Month, Day). Title of the article. Title of the Newspaper, page numbers.

Example: Gomez, R. (2021, April 15). The rise of renewable energy in the U.S. *The New York Times*, A1, A4.

You may add the DOI if it is available-

Example:

Miller, D. J. (2022, February 10). Advances in space technology: A new era of exploration. *The Guardian*.

<https://www.theguardian.com/science/2022/feb/10/space-exploration>

Magazine article: Author(s). (Year, Month). Title of the article. *Title of the Magazine*, volume number (issue number), page range.
Example: Adams, L. E. (2018, May). Innovations in virtual reality. *Time*, 191(5), 32-36.

You may add the DOI if it is available-

Example:

Taylor, R. H. (2019, August). Exploring the future of AI technology. *Wired*.

<https://www.wired.com/2019/08/future-ai>

Website: Author(s). (Year, Month Day). Title of the webpage. *Website Name*. URL

Example: National Institute of Mental Health. (2020, March 25). Anxiety disorders. *National Institute of Mental Health*.

<https://www.nimh.nih.gov/health/topics/anxiety-disorders>

APA REFERENCING QUICK TIPS

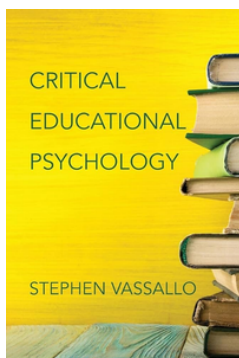


Here's a quick summary of the 5 tips for successful use of APA referencing:

- **Be Consistent:** Follow correct formatting for punctuation, capitalization, and italics throughout your citations and reference list.
- **Use Correct Formats:** Apply the proper citation style for different sources (books, articles, websites, etc.).
- **Accurate Author Information:** List authors correctly and include all names when there are multiple authors.
- **Reference List Formatting:** Alphabetize entries, use hanging indentation, and ensure each in-text citation has a corresponding reference.
- **Correct In-Text Citations:** Include author names and publication years for in-text citations, and use "et al." for sources with 3 or more authors.

By following these tips, you'll ensure precise and professional APA referencing.

NEW BOOKS



Critical Educational Psychology serves as a valuable resource for teachers, educational psychologists, and researchers. It prompts readers to question established norms and consider the broader implications of psychological practices in education.



The UAE Legal Guide aims to provide an overview of the UAE's legal system, main UAE laws, and the UAE courts system. It is targeting lawyers practicing or planning to practice in the UAE as well as investors and CEOs who need a basic understanding of the UAE legal system.

THESES, DISSERTATIONS & PROJECTS

Congratulations to all who are currently in the thesis, dissertation, or project writing stage!

This is a friendly reminder to use the official templates sent to your email by the library. These templates are designed in accordance with the university's formatting guidelines to help minimize errors and ensure a smoother approval process.

We strongly encourage students to adhere to the formatting requirements outlined on the library's website and in the provided templates. Proper formatting reduces delays in approval and final clearance.

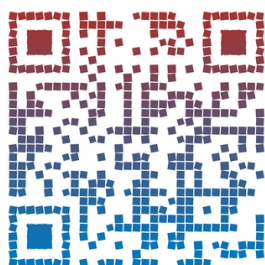
Similarly, supervisors are encouraged to familiarize themselves with BUID's formatting guidelines to provide accurate feedback and recommendations to students.

Please note: The library will not accept theses, dissertations, or projects that do not meet the university's formatting standards.

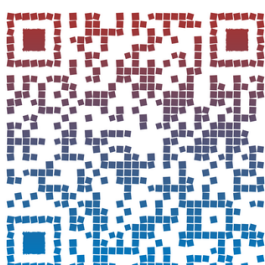
Students can refer to <https://apastyle.apa.org> for further guidance on APA formatting style.

We wish all postgraduate students success as you take this important step toward your future!

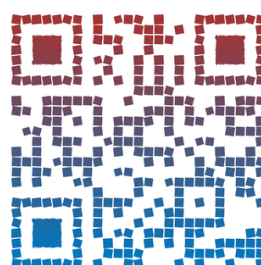
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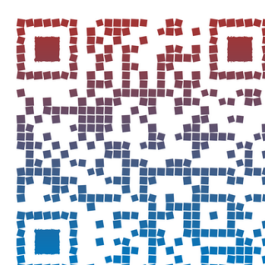
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Bspace



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SUBSCRIBED DATABASES

Multidisciplinary:

- Science Direct Subject Collection
- Sage Humanities & Social Sciences
- ProQuest Thesis & Dissertations
- EBSCO Academic Search Ultimate
- Taylor & Francis Humanities and Social Sciences

Business & Law:

- EBSCO Business Source Ultimate
- Emerald management journals
- Proquest ABI/Inform Global
- Westlaw UK and Gulf
- The Oxford Legal Research Library (OLRL)
- EastLaw database

Education:

- EBSCOhost Education Source Ultimate
- ERIC
- Teacher Reference Centre

Engineering & Informatics:

- Proquest Technology Collection
- Greenfile

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FEATURED GUIDES



Library Tutorials are guides that help the users with step-by-step instructions and videos on how to use the resources and services provided by the library. Please click on the [link](#) for more information.