

ASA References Page Examples

References Page Setup

Format: - New page after main text - Title: **REFERENCES** (centered, bold, uppercase) - Alphabetical order by author's last name - Hanging indent (0.5 inches) - Double-spaced throughout - No extra spacing between entries

Books

Single Author

Weber, Max. 1978. *Economy and Society: An Outline of Interpretive Sociology*. Berkeley: University of California Press.

Two Authors

Marx, Karl and Friedrich Engels. 1848. *The Communist Manifesto*. London: Penguin Books.

Three or More Authors

Collins, Patricia Hill, Sirma Bilge, and Kimberlé Crenshaw. 2020. *Intersectionality: Critical Perspectives on Race, Class, and Gender*. Cambridge: Polity Press.

Edited Book

Goffman, Erving, editor. 1997. *The Goffman Reader*. Malden, MA: Blackwell.

Chapter in Edited Book

Bourdieu, Pierre. 1986. "The Forms of Capital." Pp. 241-58 in *Handbook of Theory and Research for the Sociology of Education*, edited by J. Richardson. New York: Greenwood Press.

Second or Later Edition

Ritzer, George. 2015. *Introduction to Sociology*. 2nd ed. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.

Translated Book

Durkheim, Émile. 1893. *The Division of Labor in Society*. Translated by W. D. Halls. New York: Free Press.

No Author (Organization)

American Sociological Association. 2019. *ASA Style Guide*. 6th ed. Washington, DC: American Sociological Association.

Journal Articles

Print Journal

Smith, Dorothy E. 1987. "Women's Perspective as a Radical Critique of Sociology." *Sociological Inquiry* 44(1):1-13.

Journal with DOI

Brown, Michael K. 2003. "Whitewashing Race: The Myth of a Color-Blind Society." *American Sociological Review* 68(2):279-81. doi:10.2307/1519770.

Online Journal (no DOI)

Wilson, William Julius. 2020. "The Impact of Inequality on Urban Communities." *Urban Studies* 57(8):1234-56. Retrieved November 27, 2025 (<https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/full/10.1177/0042098019845222>).

Two Authors

Goffman, Erving and Howard S. Becker. 1963. "Stigma and Social Identity." *American Journal of Sociology* 68(3):363-76.

Three or More Authors

Collins, Randall, Janet Saltzman Chafetz, Rae Lesser Blumberg, Scott Coltrane, and Jonathan H. Turner. 1993. "Toward an Integrated Theory of Gender Stratification." *Sociological Perspectives* 36(3):185-216.

Online Sources

Website Article with Author

Johnson, Emily. 2023. "The Future of Sociological Research." *Sociology Today*. Retrieved November 27, 2025 (<https://www.sociologytoday.com/future-research>).

Website Article without Author

"Understanding Social Inequality." 2023. *American Sociological Association*. Retrieved November 27, 2025 (<https://www.asanet.org/understanding-inequality>).

Organization Website

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. 2023. "Social Determinants of Health." Retrieved November 27, 2025 (<https://www.cdc.gov/about/sdoh/index.html>).

Blog Post

Martinez, Carlos. 2023. "Rethinking Community Engagement." *Sociology Blog*, August 15. Retrieved November 27, 2025 (<https://www.sociologyblog.com/community-engagement>).

Online News Article

Thompson, Sarah. 2023. "New Study Reveals Income Inequality Trends." *The New York Times*, November 20. Retrieved November 27, 2025 (<https://www.nytimes.com/2023/11/20/inequality-study.html>).

Other Print Sources

Newspaper Article

Jones, Robert. 2023. "City Council Addresses Housing Crisis." *Chicago Tribune*, December 1, pp. A1, A4.

Magazine Article

Brown, Lisa. 2023. "The Changing Face of American Families." *Time Magazine*, November 15, pp. 32-38.

Book Review

Anderson, Elijah. 2020. Review of *The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness*, by Michelle Alexander. *American Journal of Sociology* 125(4):1123-25.

Dissertations and Theses

Published Dissertation

Williams, Jessica. 2021. *Social Mobility in Urban Communities: A Longitudinal Study*. Ph.D. dissertation, Department of Sociology, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL.

Unpublished Dissertation

Rodriguez, Maria. 2022. "Immigration and Identity Formation among Second-Generation Americans." Ph.D. dissertation, Department of Sociology, Stanford University, Stanford, CA.

Government and Legal Documents

Government Report

U.S. Census Bureau. 2020. *Decennial Census Summary File 1*. Washington, DC: U.S. Government Printing Office.

Government Website

U.S. Department of Labor. 2023. "Unemployment Rate Statistics." Bureau of Labor Statistics. Retrieved November 27, 2025 (<https://www.bls.gov/unemployment>).

Legal Case

Brown v. Board of Education, 347 U.S. 483 (1954).

Conference Papers and Presentations

Conference Paper

Davis, Angela. 2023. "Race, Class, and Criminal Justice Reform." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association, August 10, Philadelphia, PA.

Conference Proceedings

Thompson, Robert. 2022. "Digital Sociology in the 21st Century." Pp. 45-62 in

Media and Other Sources

Film or Documentary

Director Last Name, First Name, director. Year. *Film Title*. Distributor.

Example:

DuVernay, Ava, director. 2016. *13th*. Netflix.

YouTube Video

Creator Name. Year. “Video Title.” *YouTube*, Month Day. Retrieved Date (URL).

Example:

Khan, Sal. 2023. “Understanding Social Stratification.” *YouTube*, September 10. Retrieved November 27, 2025 (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=example>).

Podcast Episode

Host Last Name, First Name, host. Year. “Episode Title.” *Podcast Name*, Month Day. Retrieved Date (URL).

Example:

Harris, Sam, host. 2023. “The Future of Social Science.” *Making Sense*, October 5. Retrieved November 27, 2025 (<https://www.samharris.org/podcasts/example>).

Social Media Post

Author Name. Year. “Post Text (first 20 words...).” *Platform*, Month Day. Retrieved Date (URL).

Example:

American Sociological Association. 2023. “New research highlights the importance of...” *Twitter*, November 15. Retrieved November 27, 2025 (<https://twitter.com/ASA/status/example>).

Multiple Works by Same Author

Same Author, Different Years

List chronologically (oldest first), repeat author name each time:

Smith, John. 2018. *The Sociology of Work*. New York: Academic Press. Smith, John. 2020. “Labor Markets and Inequality.” *American Sociological Review* 85(3):456-78. Smith, John. 2022. *Employment in the Digital Age*. Boston: Harvard University Press.

Same Author, Same Year

Use letter suffixes (a, b, c) in alphabetical order by title:

Brown, Sarah. 2021a. “Community Organizing in Urban Spaces.” *Urban Studies* 58(2):234-50. Brown, Sarah. 2021b. “Social Movements and Political Change.” *Sociological Quarterly* 62(4):789-805.

Special Formatting Notes

Page Numbers in References

Single page:

P. 45

Multiple pages:

Pp. 45-60

Non-consecutive pages:

Pp. 12, 18, 23

Volume and Issue Numbers

Format: Volume(Issue):PageRange

Example: 44(1):1-13

URLs and Retrieval Dates

Always include: - Full URL (no hyperlink) - Retrieval date for all web sources - Format: Retrieved Month Day, Year (URL)

Example:

Retrieved November 27, 2025 (<https://www.example.com/article>)

Quick Reference Checklist

- ✓ **Alphabetical order** by author's last name
- ✓ **Hanging indent** for all entries
- ✓ **Double-space** everything
- ✓ **Italicize** book and journal titles
- ✓ **Quotation marks** for article/chapter titles
- ✓ **Full first names** for authors
- ✓ **Publisher location** included for books
- ✓ **Retrieval dates** for all websites
- ✓ **DOI or URL** for online sources
- ✓ **Page numbers** use "Pp." (multiple) or "P." (single)

Sample References Page

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U.S. Census Bureau. 2020. Decennial Census Summary File 1. Washington, DC: U.S. Government Printing Office.

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Wilson, William Julius. 2020. "The Impact of Inequality on Urban Communities." *Urban Studies* 57(8):1234-56. Retrieved November 27, 2025
(<https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/full/10.1177/example>).

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