

Citation Formatting Quick Reference

A concise, one-page guide showing correct in-text citation and reference formats for books, journal articles, and websites in **MLA**, **APA**, and **Chicago** styles.

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Chicago (Notes & Bibliography)

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