

## ISU REFERENCING AND WORKS CITED FORMAT (MLA 8<sup>th</sup> ed.)

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### Definitions:

- **Plagiarism** is theft. It is using someone else's words or ideas without giving proper credit to the writer or the creator of the original (*MLA Handbook 8th ed*)
- **Works Cited:** a list of all the works cited or referenced in your paper
- **In-text referencing:** the information you put in your sentences that correspond with, and refer the reader to, the Works Cited page
- **Parenthetical referencing:** putting in-text references in parentheses
- **Bibliography:** A list of sources you used but did not cite or reference in your paper
- **Works Consulted:** a list of other sources you read but did not cite in your paper

### Tips:

- What does one reference? Anything you paraphrase, summarize or quote directly
- No author or missing information? Skip it and continue with your citation; use what information you have
- Alphabetical order: list of citations arranged by author or title of work A-Z excluding: A, The, An
- If citation goes to a second line, indent second and subsequent lines by five spaces
- Follow correct punctuation! Use periods and commas correctly
- Dates: abbreviate month using three letters except May, June and July: **e.g.** 31 Dec. 2010. No date? Put accessed date.
- No Publisher? Put n.p.
- Titles (or Containers) are put in *italics*, and an article or part of the whole, is put in "quotation marks".
- Put the URL or the DOI, <cnn.com> or doi: 10.1002/tox.20155

### **Book: one, two, three and more than three authors, corporate author or no author**

**Lastname, Firstname. *Title of Book*. Publisher, Year of Publication.**

Henley, Patricia. *The Hummingbird House*. MacMurray, 2015. (one author)

Gillespie, Paula, and Neal Lerner. *The Allyn and Bacon Guide to Peer Tutoring*. Allyn, 2016. (two authors)

Gillespie, Paula M., Neal Lerner and Maggie R. Smith. *The Allyn and Bacon Guide to Peer Tutoring*. Allyn, 2016. (three authors)

Wysocki, Anne Frances, et al. *Writing New Media: Theory and Applications*. Utah State UP, 2016. (more than three)

American Allergy Association. *Allergies in Children*. Random, 2015. Print. (corporate author)

*Encyclopedia of Indiana*. Somerset, 2015. (no author)

### **Magazines and Newspapers**

**Last Name, First Name. "Title of Article." *Title of Magazine or Newspaper* Publication Date. page.**

Mukasa, Henry. "Mbabazi moves to sue oil MPs." *New Vision* 30 Nov. 2016, p. 3.

## Email

**Sender's Last Name, First Name. "Subject Line from Posting." Date Posted. E-mail to recipient's name. Date accessed.**

Smith, William. "Trial results." 12 Jan. 2010. E-mail to John Henry. 29 May 2016.

## Interview

**Last Name, First Name. Interview Type. Date interviewed.**

Jolie, Angelina. Phone interview. 11 Feb. 2016.

## Online Databases

**Last name, First name. "Title of Article." Name of Newspaper, Date of article including edition if possible. Database name. <web url>. Accessed date**

Python, Monty. "How to Make a Funny Movie." *New York Times* 19 Jan. 2016, p.16. *Global NewsBank*. <www.newsbank.com>. Accessed 10 Feb. 2016

"Nanotechnology." *Encyclopædia Britannica Online School Edition*. Encyclopedia Britannica, Inc., 2015.

<school.eb.co.uk/comptons/article-9330958>. Accessed 9 May 2016.

## Film

**Film title. Dir. First Name Last Name. Distributor, Year of Release.**

*Titanic Rocks: The Movie*. Dir. John Smith. Columbia, 2009.

## Web site: Single author or no author

**Last Name, First Name. "Web Page Article Title." Website Title. Sponsoring Institution/Publisher, Publication Date. Medium. </web url>. Accessed date.**

Muzee, Elizabeth. "Living peacefully in Uganda." *Life in Africa*. Tourism Uganda, 28 Jan. 2011. <www.ugandatourism.com>. Accessed Aug 16, 2016.

"Living peacefully in Uganda." *Life in Africa*. Tourism Uganda, 28 Jan. 2011. <www.ugandatourism.com>. Accessed Aug 16, 2016.

## Encyclopedia or Dictionary with author or no author

**Last Name, First Name. "Article title." Encyclopedia/Dictionary name. Edition. Year Published.**

"Ideology." *The American Heritage Dictionary*. 3rd ed. 2001.

Potts, Sam. "Ideology." *The American Heritage Dictionary*. 3rd ed. 2001.

# INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF UGANDA



## Lecture

**Last Name, First Name. "Presentation Title." Event. Venue, City. Date conducted.**

Pausch, Randy. "Achieving Your Childhood Dreams." Journeys. McConomy Auditorium Lecture, Pittsburgh. 18 Sept. 2007.

## Figure: Photograph, graph or diagram

**Last Name, First Name. *Title of the work*. Date. Institution, City. *Title of Website*. <web url>. Accessed.**

Bogaert, Pascal. *Sunset on the Savannah*. 2000. Museum of Modern Art, New York. *CNN.com*. Web. 1 Feb. 2009.

## Tweet

**Last Name, First Name (Twitter user name). "place the tweet in its entirety in quotations, inserting a period after the tweet within the quotations." *Twitter*. Date, time of posting, using reader's time zone.**

**<url>**

Brokaw, Tom (tombrokaw). "SC demonstrated why all the debates are the engines of this campaign." 22 Jan. 2012, 3:06 a.m.

<twitter.com/>

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<https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/747/01/>