

NOODLETOOLS EXPRESS

NoodleTools Express is a website that helps you with your citations (APA, MLA, or Chicago).

Use it to generate citations for almost any type of source: databases, web sites, books, blogs, videos, magazine articles, email messages, images, personal interviews, speeches, tweets, and more.

Then copy and paste the citations into your research paper.

NOTE: Many of the library databases provide citations. Unfortunately, these citations aren't always accurate. If you copy/paste a database citation, make sure you consult another source (such as NoodleTools) to identify and correct any mistakes.

ACCESSING NOODLETOOLS EXPRESS

Go to the NoodleTools website at www.noodletools.com/noodlebib/express.php

It is also linked on the MCC library webpage:

1. Go the library webpage: www.mccneb.edu/library
2. Scroll down past the tabs, look under **Research Links** (middle column), and click on **Citing Sources**.
3. Look under **MLA Style** and click on **NoodleTools Express: MLA**.
4. At the next screen you may need to click on **MLA**.

USING NOODLETOOLS EXPRESS

1. Use the drop-down menu to select the source **type**. Are you citing a magazine, a reference source (such as an encyclopedia), a newspaper, a journal, or a web site, etc.?
2. Then use the tabs above the form to select the **format**. Are you citing a print copy of the source, or did you find it on the web, or in a database, etc.?

Examples:

a) EBOOK

Select **Book** > **Database**

Citing: Chapter or Section from: Book Submit Cancel

Print Website **Database** E-book File Microform

* Name of the database:

URL:

DOI:

Most recent date of access [today?]:
month day YYYY

- **URL:** Don't include the initial **https://**
- **DOI (Digital Object Identifier):** Leave this blank as eBooks aren't normally assigned a DOI.

b) WEB PAGE WITHIN A WEBSITE

Select **Website** (the form automatically defaults to **Web Page**)

Citing: Web Page from: Web Site Save Cancel

Website

URL:

Date of publication:
month day YYYY

Most recent date of access [today?]:
month day YYYY

- **URL:** Don't include the initial **http://** or **https://**

NOTE: The web is a **format** not a source **type**. If you are citing a photograph, interview, or other specific type of source you found on the web, you will need to select the appropriate source type from the menu.

The screenshot shows a citation form with the following elements:

- Citing:** A dropdown menu is open, showing options: Advertisement, Cartoon or Comic Strip, Editorial, Interview, Lecture, Speech or Reading, Letter to the Editor, Map or Chart (Born Digital), Map or Chart, Published or in an ..., Photo or Illustration in an Archive, Photo or Image (Born Digital), Press Release, **Review** (highlighted), Web Page, and Work of Visual Art.
- from:** A dropdown menu set to "Web Site".
- Buttons:** "Save" (green) and "Cancel" (grey).
- Form Fields:** "URL:", "Date of publication" (with "month" dropdown), "Most recent date of access" (with "month" dropdown), and "Change to:" (with "Select..." dropdown).
- Footer:** Labels for "First name", "Middle name", "Last name or group", and "Suffix".

c) MAGAZINE ARTICLE FROM A DATABASE

Select **Magazine > Database**

The screenshot shows a citation form with the following elements:

- Citing:** A dropdown menu set to "Article".
- from:** A dropdown menu set to "Magazine".
- Buttons:** "Save" (green) and "Cancel" (grey).
- Tabs:** "Print", "Website", **Database** (highlighted), "Digital File", and "Microform".
- Form Fields:** "* Name of the database:", "URL:", "DOI:", and "Most recent date of access [today?]:" (with "month", "day", and "YYYY" dropdowns).

- **URL:** Don't include the initial **https://**
- **DOI (Digital Object Identifier):** Leave this blank as eBooks aren't normally assigned a DOI.

d) JOURNAL ARTICLE FROM A DATABASE

Select Journal > Database

The screenshot shows a citation form with the following fields and options:

- Citing:** Article (dropdown)
- from:** Journal (dropdown)
- Buttons:** Save, Cancel
- Navigation:** Print, Website, **Database** (selected), Digital File, Microform
- Form Fields:**
 - * Name of the database: [text input]
 - URL: [text input]
 - DOI: [text input]
 - Most recent date of access [today?]:
 - month: [dropdown]
 - day: [dropdown]
 - YYYY: [text input]

- **URL:** Provide this only if the record does not include a DOI. Otherwise, leave the box empty. If you do provide the permalink don't include the initial **https://**
- **DOI (Digital Object Identifier):** If the record includes a DOI, provide it instead of the URL. Otherwise, leave the box empty.

If the article has been assigned a **DOI**, you will see a line labeled **DOI** in the database record:

The screenshot shows a database record with the following information:

Abstract: Through an ethnography of a terrorism trial that followed bomb-blasts in Delhi in 2008, this article seeks to understand the centrality of files and documentary practices to the production of legal truth. By following key documents regarding the case against one man I call Fahad, I argue that the truth produced in a trial crucially depends on a chain of seemingly insignificant certificatory practices—the signatures, countersignatures, stamps, and seals that appear on documents. What emerges in the account I provide is that juridical truth is less a matter of finding 'what really happened,' and more about the competition between narratives that depend on the certificatory correctness of humble sheets of paper. [ABSTRACT FROM AUTHOR]

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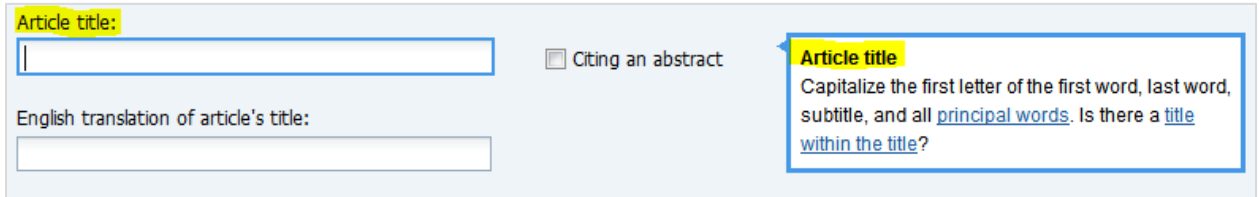
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Accession Number: 134360568

- Complete the form by filling in the box for each element of your citation.
 - Be sure to click inside a box before typing anything!** This opens a popup box with more information. For example, clicking inside the **title** box opens a popup box with more information on which words to capitalize.



The screenshot shows a citation form with a text input field for the article title. A yellow highlight is on the label 'Article title:'. To the right is a checkbox labeled 'Citing an abstract'. Below the title field is another input field for the 'English translation of article's title:'. A blue-bordered popup box is open over the title field, containing the text: 'Article title: Capitalize the first letter of the first word, last word, subtitle, and all principal words. Is there a title within the title?'.

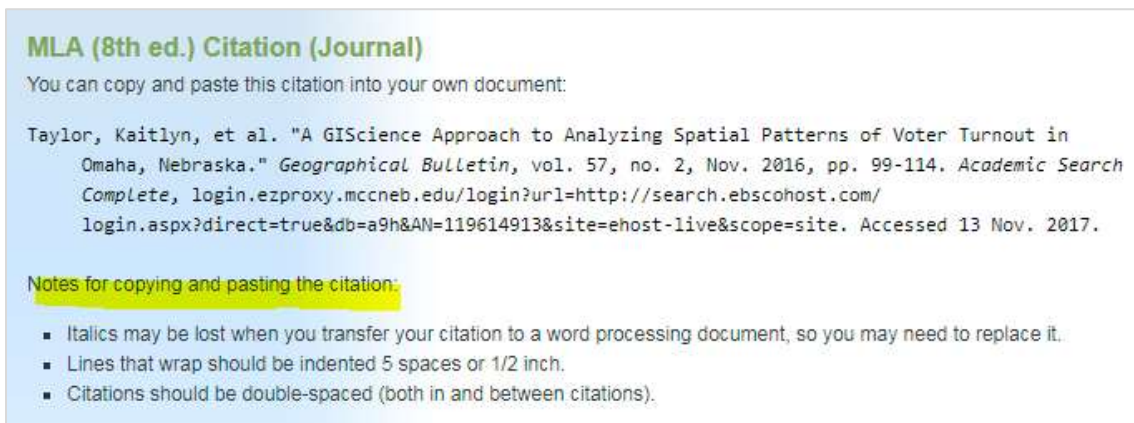
- Note that you can add an **annotation** to your citation, if required by your instructor.



The screenshot shows an 'Annotation' box. It has a title bar 'Annotation' and a text area with the label 'Annotation [What is an annotation?]:'. Below the text area are three icons: a bold 'B', an italic 'I', and an underlined 'U'.

- When finished, click on **Submit**.
- NoodleTools** then displays a citation you can copy/paste.

NOTE: Some formatting may be lost during the process (italics, line spacing, hanging indent, etc.). Be sure to compare your copied citation with the NoodleTools citation.



The screenshot shows an MLA citation in NoodleTools. The title is 'MLA (8th ed.) Citation (Journal)'. Below it is the text: 'You can copy and paste this citation into your own document:'. The citation itself is: 'Taylor, Kaitlyn, et al. "A GIScience Approach to Analyzing Spatial Patterns of Voter Turnout in Omaha, Nebraska." *Geographical Bulletin*, vol. 57, no. 2, Nov. 2016, pp. 99-114. *Academic Search Complete*, login.ezproxy.mccneb.edu/login?url=http://search.ebscohost.com/login.aspx?direct=true&db=a9h&AN=119614913&site=ehost-live&scope=site. Accessed 13 Nov. 2017.' Below the citation is a section titled 'Notes for copying and pasting the citation:' with three bullet points: 'Italics may be lost when you transfer your citation to a word processing document, so you may need to replace it.', 'Lines that wrap should be indented 5 spaces or 1/2 inch.', and 'Citations should be double-spaced (both in and between citations).'