

CITING RESEARCH DATABASES APA STYLE

The following guidelines are taken from *Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association* (6th edition).

GENERAL RULES

1. Follow the rules for citing a print copy of the source.
2. Complete the citation with the DOI (Digital Object Identifier).
 - a. Use this format: **doi xxxxxx**
 - b. Do not place a period after the DOI.
3. If you cannot locate the DOI, check the Free DOI Lookup website: www.crossref.org/guestquery

NOTE: Your instructor may prefer that you skip step #4 and go directly to #5. Check to be sure.

4. If you still cannot find the DOI give the journal/magazine/newspaper's homepage URL instead.
 - a. Use this format: **Retrieved from http://www.xxxx.xxx**
NOTE: Use the phrase "Retrieved from" even though you actually retrieved it from a library database and not the homepage.
 - b. Do not place a period after the URL
5. If you cannot locate the homepage URL give either (a) the database name and article or document number assigned by the database, if any or (b) the database URL.
 - a. Use this format: **Retrieved from Database Name** or **Retrieved from http://www.xxxx.xxx**
 - b. Do not place a period after the URL

JOURNAL ARTICLE

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Author. (Year of publication). Article title. *Journal Title*, Volume number(Issue number), page numbers. doi xxxxxx

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DOI & journal's homepage URL are not available (provide the database name or URL instead):

Author. (Year of publication). Article title. *Journal Title*, Volume number(Issue number), page numbers. Retrieved
from Database Name (article or document number)

MAGAZINE ARTICLE

Citation with a DOI

Author (Year of publication, month day). Article title. *Magazine Title*, *Volume Number*, page numbers. doi xxxxxx

DOI not available (provide the magazine's homepage URL instead)

Author (Year of publication, month day). Article title. *Magazine Title*, *Volume Number*, page numbers. Retrieved from
<http://www.xxxx.xxx>

Magazine's homepage URL is not available (provide the database name or URL instead):

Author (Year of publication, month day). Article title. *Magazine Title*, *Volume Number*, page numbers. Retrieved from
Database Name (article or document number)

NEWSPAPER ARTICLE

Citation with a DOI

Author. (Year of publication, month day). Article title. *Newspaper Title (Edition [if given])*, p. or pp. followed by page
numbers. doi xxxxx

DOI not available (provide the newspaper's homepage URL instead)

Author. (Year of publication, month day). Article title. *Newspaper Title (Edition [if given])*, p. or pp. followed by page
numbers. Retrieved from <http://www.xxxx.xxx>

Newspaper's homepage URL is not available (provide the database name or URL instead)

Author. (Year of publication, month day). Article title. *Newspaper Title (Edition [if given])*, p. or pp. followed by page
numbers. Retrieved from Database Name. (article or document number)

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Author. (Year of publication). *Book title*. doi xxxxx

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Author. (Year of publication). *Book title*. Retrieved from Database Name

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Author/Rightsholder. (Year of publication). Title of data set [Description of form]. Retrieved from Database
Name

eBook Collection (EBSCOhost)

Book

In this example the DOI is not available so the database name is provided instead.

Chau, D., & Osborne, T. F. (2018). *Using technology to improve care of older adults*. Retrieved from eBook Collection
database

EBSCOHOST DATABASE

Academic Search Complete, Business Source Elite, Health Source, etc.

Journal article

Kim, C., & Sung, H. (2016). The effects of acculturation on intimate partner violence among Chinese immigrants in
New York City. *Journal of Family Violence*, 31, 325-336. doi 10.1007/s10896-015-9761-3

Magazine article

*In this example the volume number is not available. The DOI is not available so the URL of the
magazine's homepage is provided instead.*

Pfeffer, S. E. (2017, June/July). We need a daycare revolution. *Working Mother*, 40, 52-55. Retrieved from
<https://www.workingmother.com>

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accession number.*

Pfeffer, S. E. (2017, June/July). We need a daycare revolution. *Working Mother*, 40, 52-55. Retrieved from OmniFile Full Text Select (H.W. Wilson) database. (Accession No. 122682893)

NEXIS UNI

Journal article

In this example a DOI is not available so the URL of the journal's homepage is provided instead.

Kalen, S. (2012). Thirst for oil and the Keystone XL pipeline. *Creighton Law Review*, 46, 207-252. Retrieved from <https://www.creighton.edu/groups/lawreview/>

Your instructor may prefer that you provide the database name. Nexis Uni Academic does not assign article/document numbers.

Kalen, S. (2012). Thirst for oil and the Keystone XL pipeline. *Creighton Law Review*, 46, 207-252. Retrieved from Nexis Uni database

Newspaper article

In this example the DOI is not available so the URL for the newspaper's homepage is provided instead.

Knapp, F. (1997, December 7). Normalness of Williams execution almost seems abnormal. *Lincoln Journal-Star* (City Edition), p. 2D. Retrieved from <http://journalstar.com>

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OPPOSING VIEWPOINTS IN CONTEXT

Viewpoint essay

Viewpoint essays in Opposing Viewpoints are generally reprints of articles or chapters from edited books. In this example a DOI is not available so the URL of the book publisher's homepage is provided instead. Viewpoint essays in Opposing Viewpoints are always reprinted from books published by Greenhaven Press so always use the URL for Greenhaven listed in this example.

Friedman, J. (2016). Rape is caused by a culture of toxic masculinity. In N. Merino (Ed.), *Violence against Women* [Opposing Viewpoints in Context version]. Retrieved from <http://solutions.cengage.com/Greenhaven/>

Your instructor may prefer that you provide the database name instead. If so, include the document number (scroll down to the bottom of the screen to view it).

Friedman, J. (2016). Rape is caused by a culture of toxic masculinity. In N. Merino (Ed.), *Violence against Women* [Opposing Viewpoints in Context version]. Retrieved from Opposing Viewpoints in Context database. (Gale Document No. GALE|EJ3010068407)

Magazine article

In this example the DOI is not available so the URL of the magazine's homepage is provided instead.

Magdaleno, J. (2018, January 19). Mexican drug cartels may use legal marijuana to take over northern California; legal marijuana was supposed to hurt the Mexican drug cartels, but narcos in California may be using it to plant the seeds of a takeover. *Newsweek*. Retrieved from <http://www.newsweek.com>

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Newspaper article

In this example the DOI is not available so the URL of the newspaper's homepage is provided instead.

McKenna, P. (2018, January 3). Beyond Standing Rock: environmental justice suffered setbacks in 2017; ousted Standing Rock leader on the pipeline protest that almost succeeded. *InsideClimate News*. Retrieved from <https://insideclimatenews.org>

Your instructor may prefer that you provide the database name instead. If so, include the document number (scroll down to the bottom of the screen to view it).

McKenna, P. (2018, January 3). Beyond Standing Rock: environmental justice suffered setbacks in 2017; ousted Standing Rock leader on the pipeline protest that almost succeeded. *InsideClimate News*. Retrieved from Opposing Viewpoints in Context database. (Gale Document No. GALE|A521236009)

SIRS ISSUES RESEARCHER

Magazine article

In this example a DOI is not available so the URL of the magazine's homepage is provided instead.

Kunzig, R. (2016, October). How the latest great migration is reshaping Europe. *National Geographic*, 83-115. Retrieved from <https://www.nationalgeographic.com>

Your instructor may prefer that you provide the database name instead. SIRS does not assign article/document numbers.

Kunzig, R. (2016, October). How the latest great migration is reshaping Europe. *National Geographic*, 83-115.

Retrieved from SIRS Issues Researcher database

Newspaper article

In this example a DOI is not available so the URL of the newspaper's homepage is provided instead.

Johnson, R. (2018, January 5). If you want women to move up, you have to accommodate mothers. *Wall Street*

Journal, p. A15. Retrieved from <https://www.wsj.com>

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Journal, p. A15. Retrieved from SIRS Issues Researcher database

STATISTA

Data set

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Institute for Social Research (n.d.). *Availability of cocaine as perceived by U.S. 12th graders from 1975 to*

*2016** [Graph]. Retrieved from Statista database