NURS 210– APA Citation

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Ways to get help

• Ask at reference desk, 1st floor
• Chat with us during library hours (Our IM name is: MorrisvilleLib )
• Call us at 684-6055
• Email a question: reference@morrisville.edu
APA basics

• What is APA?
  --American Psychological Association

• Who uses it?
  -- Health sciences, Social sciences, Business, and more

• Why use it?
  --Organize your writing
  --Help you cite
  --More professional
APA Citation

Things that are considered “common knowledge” do not need to be cited.

✓ Asthma rates in Canada have increased from 6.5 to 8.4 percent in 2001.
✓ Asthma affects many children in Canada.

If you are not sure, CITE it!
What you must cite?

Direct quotations

One teacher comments, “I spell out what plagiarism is on the first day of classes, reiterate it on my syllabus, invite students to come talk to me if they need clarification, explain that I will fail anyone I catch plagiarizing, and then I do. Other repercussions? Students who plagiarize don’t ask me for a recommendation for graduate school, internships, or a job, and they wouldn’t get a helpful one if they did.”

(Stone B5)

### What you must cite?

Paraphrases & Summary Statements

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<td>Organisational Development (OD) practitioners assume that it is important</td>
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<td>for people to be accepted by their work group and that the climate in most</td>
<td>of referencing is called ‘strong author orientation’, and is</td>
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<td>groups and organisations does not encourage open expression of feelings.</td>
<td>appropriate where you wish to emphasise ‘who’ said what...</td>
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<td>The necessity of hiding feelings, OS practitioners believe, has a negative</td>
<td>Stoner and Wankel (1986) conclude that it is the view of Organisational</td>
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<td>effect not only on group member’s willingness and ability to solve problems</td>
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<td>constructively, but also on job satisfaction and performance. Encouraging</td>
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<td>openness can be difficult and risky, but it can also lead to greater job</td>
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Notice the summary draws mainly from the concluding sentence in the original paragraph. This is because the concluding sentence often contains the author's evaluation of the paragraph's content.

From NoteTaking at Unilearning, University of Wollogong, Australia
What you must cite?

Arguable Assertions
(Statements that sound like an author’s opinion or an assertion that is not backed up by data – a debatable point.)

Elizabeth Stone also notes that journalism students are more at risk for getting caught and paying a high price of plagiarism (B5).

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What you must cite?

Statistics, **Charts, Graphs, Photographs**

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**Causes of Traumatic Spinal Injury**

- **Female Height to Weight Ratio**
- **Male Height to Weight Ratio**

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**Disabled World, 2007**

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**WORLD'S HIGHEST STANDARD OF LIVING**

There's no way like the American Way

(Nutt, King, Saulsbury, & Blakemore, 2007)

(Disabled World, 2007)

(Apparelyzed, n.d.)

(Nutt, King, Saulsbury, & Blakemore, 2007)
APA Reference Formats
Journal Articles from a Library Database

Article with a DOI

*European Journal of Cardiovascular Nursing* 7(2), 127-132.

doi:10.1016/j.ejcnurse.2007.08.002

DOI
APA Reference Formats
Journal Articles from a Library Database

**Article without a DOI**

APA Reference Formats
Technical or Research Report from a Web Site

APA Reference Formats
Citing CDC Website

• **In your reference list:**

• **In-text citation**
  - **First in-text citation:**
    The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC, 2011) (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention [CDC], 2011)
  - **Subsequent in-text citations:**
    The CDC (2010) (CDC, 2010)
APA Reference Formats
Citing Healthy People 2010

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    United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Healthy People 2020 (2011)
    (United States Department of Health and Human Services [HHS], Healthy People 2020, 2011)
  • Subsequent in-text citations:
    HHS, Healthy People 2020 (2011)
    (HHS, Healthy People 2020, 2011)
Exercise

- One article from library database with DOI
- One article from library database without DOI
- One online document

Google Your Guide to Living Well with Heart Disease