Quick Reference to MLA Style Works Cited Lists

**General Formatting**
- Begin your works cited list on a separate page at the end of your document under the label *Works Cited*. Put the label at the center top of the page. Do not italicize, underline, or use quotation marks in the label.
- Alphabetize the list of works cited by the first word in each entry (usually the author's last name).
- Make the first line of each entry in your list flush with the margin. Subsequent lines in each entry should be indented one-half inch. This is known as a hanging indent.
- Double space all entries, with no skipped spaces between entries.
- Every entry must include a medium of publication, e.g. Print, Web, Film, DVD.

**Basic Formats and Examples**

**Scholarly Article**
- *Basic Format for articles accessed via an online database:*

- *Basic Format for articles in print:*

*Example:*

**Book**
- *Basic Format:*
  Author(s). *Title of Book*. Place of Publication: Publisher, Year of Publication. Medium of Publication.

*Example:*

**E-book**
Note, the URL is now optional under MLA 2009 rules.

- *Basic Format:*
  Author(s). *Title of Book*. Place of Publication: Publisher, Year of Publication. *Name of Site*. Editor of the site (if given). Medium of Publication. Date of Access. <URL>.

*Example:*
Part of a Book (Such as an Essay in a Collection)

**Basic Format:**

Author(s). "Title of Essay." Title of Collection. Ed. Editor's Name(s). Place of Publication: Publisher, Year. Page Range of Entry. Medium of Publication.

**Example:**


**Web Site**

Use *n.p.* if no publisher name is available and *n.d.* if no publishing date is given. Note, the URL is now optional under MLA 2009 rules.

**Basic Format:**

Editor, author, or compiler name (if available). Name of Site. Version number. Name of institution/organization affiliated with the site (sponsor or publisher), date of resource creation (if available). Medium of publication. Date of Access. <URL>.

**Example:**


**Article in a Web Periodical**

If the publication is only available on the Web and does not use page numbers, use the abbreviation *n. pag.* to indicate there is no pagination. Note, the URL is now optional under MLA 2009 rules.

**Basic Format:**


**Example:**


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Further guidance about MLA Style, including examples of citations not found here, can be found at the Purdue Online Writing Lab (OWL):  [https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/747/01/](https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/747/01/)

A print copy of *MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers* is available in the Reference Collection:

- Library of the Health Sciences-Chicago  

A print copy of *MLA Style Manual and Guide to Scholarly Publishing* is available in the Reference Collection:

- Daley Library: PN147.G444 2008