

APA Citation Guide for Non-Print Sources

Interviews

Interviews fall into three categories: published interviews, personal interviews, and research participant interviews. Only published interviews require a formal citation in your reference list.

- Published interviews appear in formats like radio shows, newspapers, or podcasts and should be cited according to the specific medium.
- Personal interviews are considered personal communication and are not included in the reference list. Instead, cite them in-text.
- Research participant interviews should be described in the text but not cited formally.

Presentation at Conference or Symposium

Presentations can be keynote addresses, paper presentations, or poster presentations. If unpublished:

Example:

Matson, E. (2018, Nov. 5). Drones and autonomous vehicles: The latest new technology to come with potential threat [Conference session]. Dawn or Doom 2018 Conference, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, United States.

If the presentation is available online:

Bailey, C. (2019, April 5). How to get your brain to focus [Address]. TEDxManchester, Manchester, U.K. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Hu4Yvq-g7_Y

Individual Presentation in a Larger Symposium/Panel

Cite the individual presentation within the larger event.

Example:

Fabian, J. J. (2020, May 14). UX in free educational content. In J. S. Doe (Chair), The case of the Purdue OWL: Accessibility and online content development [Panel presentation] Computers and Writing 2020, Greenville, NC, United States.

Unpublished Works

- Unpublished Manuscript:

Barkley, S., Chen, M., & McDonald, P. (2018). The effects of sodium on children's health [Unpublished manuscript]. Department of Biology, University of Cincinnati.

- Manuscript in Preparation:

Glass, A. (2019). How avocados changed America [Manuscript in preparation]. Department of Sociology, Michigan State University.

- Manuscript Submitted for Publication:

Jones, R. (2019). Walt Whitman and the American Dream [Manuscript submitted for publication]. Department of English, University of Mississippi.

Personal Communication

Personal communication (e.g., emails, texts, phone calls) should not be included in the reference list. Instead, cite them parenthetically in-text:

(E. Robbins, personal communication, January 4, 2019).

Or as a footnote:

1. P. Smith (personal communication, November 3, 2019) also claimed that many of her students had difficulties with APA style.