

APA Reference List: Author Guidelines

Single Author

List the author's last name followed by initials.

Example:

- Ahmed, S. (2012). On being included: Racism and diversity in institutional life. Duke University Press.

Two Authors

List both authors' last names and initials, separated by a comma and an ampersand before the second author.

Example:

- Soto, C. J., & John, O. P. (2017). The next big five inventory (BFI-2)...

Three to Twenty Authors

List all authors with last names and initials. Use commas between names and an ampersand before the last name.

Example:

- Nguyen, T., Carnevale, J. J., Scholer, A. A., Miele, D. B., & Fujita, K. (2019)...

More Than Twenty Authors

List the first 19 authors, insert an ellipsis (...), and then add the last author's name. No ampersand is used before the final name.

Example:

- Pegion, K., Kirtman, B. P., Becker, E., ... Kim, H. (2019)...

Group Author

Treat group authors (e.g., organizations, government agencies) like individual authors.

Example:

- Merriam-Webster. (2008)...

- Bureau of International Organization Affairs. (2018)...

Unknown Author

If no author is credited, begin the reference with the title. Only use 'Anonymous' if explicitly signed as such.

Example:

- Merriam-Webster's collegiate dictionary (11th ed.). (2003)...

Two or More Works by the Same Author

List entries by year from earliest to most recent. No-date works go first.

Example:

- Urcuioli, P. J. (n.d.)

- Urcuioli, P. J. (2011)
- Urcuioli, P. J. (2015)

Solo and Group Authorship

List entries with a sole author before group-authored entries that start with the same name.

Example:

- Agnew, C. R. (Ed.). (2014)...
- Agnew, C. R., & South, S. C. (Eds.). (2014)...

Same First Author, Different Co-Authors

Sort entries alphabetically by the last name of the second (or third) author.

Example:

- Arriaga, X. B., Capezza, N. M., ...
- Arriaga, X. B., Kumashiro, M., ...

Same Author, Same Year

Use letter suffixes (a, b, c...) with the year to differentiate works.

Example:

- Berndt, T. J. (2004a)...
- Berndt, T. J. (2004b)...

Introductions, Prefaces, Forewords, and Afterwords

Cite these as a chapter in the book with the correct page range.

Example:

- Lang, J. M. (2018). Introduction. In Dujardin, G., Lang, J. M., & Staunton, J. A. (Eds.)...