

## Academic Research Style Guide - MLA Formatting and Style Guide

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This guide outlines the principles for citing sources using the MLA 9th edition, including the structure for Works Cited pages and in-text citations.

#### Core Citation Elements:

When citing any source, MLA recommends organizing the citation using the following core elements, in this order:

1. Author.
2. Title of source.
3. Title of container,
4. Other contributors,
5. Version,
6. Number,
7. Publisher,
8. Publication date,
9. Location.

Each element is followed by appropriate punctuation.

#### Examples:

##### Book:

Bhabha, Homi K. *\*The Location of Culture\**. Routledge, 1994.

##### Webpage:

Lundman, Susan. "How to Make Vegetarian Chili." *\*eHow\**, [www.ehow.com/how\\_10727\\_make-vegetarian-chili.html](http://www.ehow.com/how_10727_make-vegetarian-chili.html).

##### Journal Article:

Bagchi, Alaknanda. "Conflicting Nationalisms: The Voice of the Subaltern in Mahasweta Devi's *Bashai Tudu*." *\*Tulsa Studies in Women's Literature\**, vol. 15, no. 1, 1996, pp. 41-50.

#### In-Text Citations:

Citations should be concise and typically include the author's last name and page number.

##### Example:

(Said 9) or According to Edward W. Said, "... (9).

When citing media, include time stamps for reference: (00:02:15-00:02:35).

Optional Elements:

- Date of original publication
- City of publication (for pre-1900 works)
- Date of access (for online sources)
- DOI instead of a URL when available

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Individual Resource:

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