

Chicago-Style Citation Quick Guide: Author-Date

The Chicago Manual of Style presents two basic documentation systems, the humanities style (notes and bibliography) and the author-date system commonly used in the social sciences.

Below are some examples of materials cited in the author-date style (a brief in-text citation [T], followed by a reference-list entry [R]). For more detailed instructions and examples, see **Chapter 15** of *The Chicago Manual of Style*, 16th edition, 2010.

Books

One author

- T: (Doniger 1999, 65)
R: Doniger, Wendy. 1999. *Splitting the Difference*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

Two to three authors

- T: (Cowlshaw, Smith and Dunbar 2000, 104–7)
R: Cowlshaw, Guy, John Smith and Robin Dunbar. 2000. *Primate Conservation Biology*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

Four or more authors

- T: (Laumann et al. 1994, 262)
R: Laumann, Edward O., John H. Gagnon, Robert T. Michael, and Stuart Michaels. 1994. *The Social Organization of Sexuality: Sexual Practices in the United States*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

Editor, translator, or compiler in addition to author

- T: (Bringman 2007, 22)
R: Bringman, Klaus. 2007. *A History of the Roman Republic*. Translated by W.J. Smyth. Cambridge: Polity Press.

Chapter or other part of a book

- T: (Siskind 2006, 161–2)
R: Siskind, Peter. 2006. “Suburban Growth and Its Discontents: The Logic and Limits of Reform on the Postwar Northeast Corridor.” In *The New Suburban History*, edited by Kevin M. Kruse and Thomas J. Sugrue, 161–82. Chicago: University of Chicago Press.

Book published electronically

If a book is available in more than one format, you should cite the version you consulted. If no page numbers are given, use a section title or chapter number.

- T: (Kurland and Lerner 1987, chap. 10)
R: Kurland, Philip B., and Ralph Lerner, eds. 1987. *The Founders' Constitution*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press. <http://press-pubs.uchicago.edu/founders/>.

Journal articles

Article in a print journal

- T: (Smith 1998, 640)
R: Smith, John Maynard. 1998. "The Origin of Altruism." *Nature* 393: 639–42.

Article in an online journal

Include a DOI if the journal has one. If not, use the URL. (DOI is a permanent ID that leads directly to the article when appended to <http://dx.doi.org/>)

- T: (Warr and Ellison 2000, 558)
R: Warr, Mark, and Christopher G. Ellison. 2000. "Rethinking Social Reactions to Crime: Personal and Altruistic Fear in Family Households." *American Journal of Sociology* 106 (3): 551-78. doi:10.1086/318964.

Article from an online database

Use the URL if the database has a stable URL. Otherwise, include the database name. If no page numbers are given, use a heading or paragraph number if available, but it is not required. Where only the first page number is given, use it in the reference list entry.

- T: (Osterman 2006, 645)
R: Osterman, Paul. 2006. "Overcoming Oligarchy: Culture and Agency in Social Movement Organizations." *Administrative Science Quarterly* 51 (4): 622-49. <http://www.jstor.org/stable/20109890>.

T: (Blue 2009, under section II: Americanization)
R: Blue, Ian. 2009. "Off the Grid: Jurisdiction and the Canadian Electricity Sector." *Dalhousie Law Journal* 32 (Fall): 339- . LexisNexis Academic.

Newspaper or magazine article online

Give the URL if not too long, or abbreviate to the point where the article can be searched. Include any section or edition information available.

T: (Shay 2010)
R: Shay, Christopher. 2010. "Top 10 Weird Insect Mating Rituals." *Time Magazine*, August 16. <http://www.time.com/>

T: (Bhanoo 2010)
R: Bhanoo, Sindya N. 2010. "Clues to Human Thought Found in Worm's Brain." *New York Times*, September 6. Science Section.
<http://www.nytimes.com/2010/09/07/science/07obbrain.html?ref=science>

Book review

T: (Gorman 2002, 16)
R: Gorman, James. 2002. "Endangered Species." Review of *The Last American Man*, by Elizabeth Gilbert. *New York Times Book Review*, June 2.

Website Content

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T: (Evanston Public Library Board of Trustees)
R: Evanston Public Library Board of Trustees. "Evanston Public Library Strategic Plan, 2000–2010: A Decade of Outreach." Evanston Public Library. Accessed July 19, 2008. <http://www.epl.org/library/strategic-plan-00.html>.

T: (Google 2010)
R: Google. 2010. "Google Privacy Center." Accessed September 8, 2010.
<http://www.google.com/privacy.html>

Blog entry or comment

Blog entries or comments should include the author, title of post, blog name and URL.

T: (Newton-Small 2010)
R: Newton-Small, Jay. "Hillary 2010?" *Swampland: A Blog About Politics and Policy*, September 3. <http://swampland.blogs.time.com>.