

# APA Citation Placement

## Citations for Paraphrased Information

### Beginning of sentence

Krankenstein (2006) reported that empirical research verified compliance.

### Middle of sentence

After looking into the issue, Lynch (2007) stated that the findings were not valid.

### End of sentence

The report concluded that students were victims of cyberterrorism (Windhorst, 2004).

## Citations with Direct Quotes

### Author and quote together

The principal stated clearly that students “needed parental permission to leave school” (Abbott, 2005, p. 25).

### Author and quote separated

MacDougall (2004) stated that the “Information Literacy Model needed to be implemented” (p. 34).

### Quote from non-paginated material

Winkowski (2007) stated, “The research is unreliable” (Conclusion section, para. 4).

## Multiple Citations by the Same Author in Same Paragraph

When the same author is cited multiple times in the same paragraph and the author’s name is part of the narrative, you do not need to include the year in subsequent non-parenthetical references. However, you do include the year in all parenthetical citations:

A study by Tunon and Brydges (2007) found that the quality of the two sets of citations were comparable. The subjective rubric developed by Tunon and Brydges helped establish this. The study went on to show a difference between academic programs (Tunon & Brydges, 2007).

## Multiple Authors for the Same Source

### One author

In sentence: Smith (2007)

In text: (Smith, 2007)

### Two authors

In sentence: Smith and Thomas (2007)

In text: (Smith & Thomas, 2007)

### Three to five authors

In sentence: Smith, Thomas, and Jones (2007)

In text: **First** Parenthetical citation (Smith, Thomas, & Jones, 2007)

Subsequent parenthetical citations (Smith, et al., 2007)

### Six or more authors

In sentence: Smith et al. (2007)

In text: **First** Parenthetical citation (Smith et al., 2007)

Subsequent parenthetical citations (Smith et al., 2007)

**Group authors** American Psychological Association (APA, 2010)

Subsequent citations in text (APA, 2010)

## Multiple Authors for Different Sources

Different sources may be cited when referring to several representative sources used for a key point.

- List authors in alphabetical order within the same parentheses.
- Separate names with semicolons.

Empirical research shows that dissertations chairs think doctoral students have the necessary information and literacy skills needed to do the library research for the literature review (Boote & Beile, 2004, 2008; Brydges & Tunon, 2005; Morner, 1997; Tunon & Brydges, 2007).

### Citing a Secondary Source

It is always best to read the original or primary sources, but sometimes this is difficult if the original work was published in another language or was published in a book that is difficult to obtain. In such a case, you would need to cite the original or primary source in the text of the paper, but you would provide a reference in the reference list for the secondary source.

### Within the Text

According to Skinner (as cited in Freud, 1923), Freud took the position ....

### In the Reference List

Skinner, B. F. (1974). *About behavioralism*. New York, NY: Knopf.