

APA Referencing Guidelines & Tips

Referencing a periodical
(magazine or a scholarly/professional journal)

Author(s) – last name, comma, first letter of first name, comma, first letter of middle name

If more than 1 author, do not change their order in any way!!

Date of publication

Article title

Capitalize only the 1st word of the title, and of the sub-title if there is one; and any proper nouns; do not italicize the title or place quotation marks around it.

Enclose non-routine information that is important for the identification and retrieval in brackets immediately after the article title (e.g., [Letter to the editor]). Brackets indicate a description of form, not a title.

Finish the element with a period.

If a journal article has more than 6 authors, list the 1st 6 in appropriate order, then et al.

Examples from journal articles:

Terrell, J. D., & Conkle, T. (2003). Tri-soccer: Getting more kicks from students. *JOPERD*, 74(2), 14-17, 20.

Whittle, R., Conkle, T., & Wilson, L. (2002). Baseline analysis of Alabama's interscholastic golf programs. *ASAHPERD Journal*, 24(1), 13-14.

Conkle, T. (1999). Roll-call with a purpose. *JOPERD*, 70(6), 14-15.

Conkle, M. T. (1997). Inservice programs - What do physical educators want? *JOPERD*, 68(8), 50-55.

Conkle, T. (1996). Inservice physical educators' stages of concerns: A test of Fuller's model and the TCQ-PE. *Physical Educator*, 53(3), 122-131.

Conkle, T. (1996). Mentoring: Carrying professionalism into the 21st century. *ASAHPERD Journal*, 19(1), 26-29.

Conkle, T. (1995). Advising aspirant football coaches: A quantitative perspective. *ASAHPERD Journal*, 18(1), 21-23.

Conkle, M. T., & Ford, H. T., Jr. (1994). Alabama physical educator preferences for inservice program features: A preliminary analysis. *ASAHPERD Journal*, 17(1), 28-31.

Conkle, T., & Ganem-Roberts, T. (1993). Sports nutrition for baseball. *American Baseball Coaches Association: Coaching Digest*, 20(3), 10-13.

Example of an on-line journal article:

Conkle, M. T., Kidwell, E. A., & Murphy, M. K. (2007, Sep). A three-year study of a first-year early communication program: Connecting first-year experience students and families to the college community. *ESOURCE for College Transitions*, 6(1), 6-8.

Example of an article with more than 6 authors:

Wallace, J., West, S., Sims, S., Toney, H. M., Langley, W., Jones, A., et al. (2000). Evaluation of theory-based mother and mother-child programs for children of divorce. *Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology*, 68, 843-856, 860.

Example from magazine Article:

Kandle, E. R., & Squire, L. (2005, November 10). Neuroscience: Breaking down scientific barriers to the study of brain and mind. *Science*, 290, 1113-1120.

Example of a newspaper article with no author:

Alphabetize works with no author by the first significant word in the title.

Precede page numbers with p. (a single page) or pp. (multiple pages)

New drug appears to sharply cut risk of death from heart failure. (1993, July 15). *The Washington Post*, p. A12.

Example of a reference for a Newspaper article [Guest Column]:

Conkle, T. (1994, December 11). Change the county's sports policy [Guest Column]. *The Huntsville Times*, pp. F1, F4.

Example of a Published Abstract in a journal:

Conkle, T. (1993/94). Assessment of coaching certification/education standards and status (ACCESS) [Abstract]. *Louisiana Education Research Journal*, 19(1), 122.

Example from a yearly book that summarizes the most recent notable works in a subject area:

Harrison, P., Hester, D., Bamman, M., & Conkle, T. (2000). In *Annual Editions in Physical Education/Human Performance*. Dushkin/McGraw-Hill.

Examples of references for published "informed" opinions:

Conkle, T. (2004). Issues: What role, if any, should physical educators play in the identification of sport talent? *JOPERD*, 75(1), 16.

Conkle, T. (2003). Issues: Should public schools require coaches to be certified? *JOPERD*, 74(5), 9-10.

Conkle, T. (1995). Issues: Should NCAA rules be changed to allow intercollegiate athletes to be paid a salary for participating in sports? *JOPERD*, 66(9), 10.

Conkle, T. (1993). Issues: If a high school coach is aware that one of the team's players is HIV positive, does the coach have a moral responsibility to inform the other players? *JOPERD*, 64(1), 8-9.

Conkle, T. (1991). Issues: Should secondary school coaches be required to teach during the season of their sport? *JOPERD*, 62(2), 16.

Technical and Research Reports

Author(s)

Date of publication

If there is a report number, contract number, monograph number) to the report, give that number in parentheses after the title. If the report has 2 numbers, use the one that will best help other people ID and retrieve it.

If a specific department, office, agency, or institute published or produced the report give the name exactly as it appears on the publication.

Examples

National Institute of Mental health. (1990). Clinical training in serious mental illness (DHHS Publication No. ADM 90-1679). Washington, DC: U.S. Government Printing Office.

Mead, J. V. (1992). Looking at old photographs: Investigating the teacher tales that novice teachers bring with them (Report No. NCRTL-RR-92-4). East Lansing, MI: National Center for Research on teacher learning. (ERIC Document Reproduction Service No. ED346082)

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. (1992). Pressure ulcers in adults: Prediction and prevention (AHCPR Publication No. 92-0047). Rockville, MD: Author.

Electronic Media Referencing

Direct readers as closely as possible to info being cited – whenever possible, reference specific documents rather than home or menu pages.

Provide Internet addresses that work.

At a minimum, a reference of an Internet source should provide a document title or description, a date (either date of publication, its update, or date of retrieval), a web address (URL), and an author whenever possible.

The URL is the most vital element, if it does not work, readers will not be able to find the cited material, and the credibility of your paper or your argument (in a debate) will suffer.

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<http://www.apa.org/monitor/oct00/workplace.html>

Example of a full citation

United States Sentencing Commission. (n.d.). 1997 sourcebook of federal sentencing statistics. Retrieved December 8, 1999, from <http://www.ussc.gov/annrpt/1997/sbtoc97.htm>