Using MLA Format

Creating a Bibliography, Works Cited or References page using the NEW guidelines from MLA (7th ed.)

Please Note!

- MLA Style now requires that all works cited have a “medium” designation after the publisher information, such as Print, Web, Film, etc.
- The first line of your citation is at the left margin and any additional lines are indented 5 spaces.
- All lines are double-spaced.
- Pay attention to the punctuation in each example and follow accordingly.
- This is a BRIEF list of MLA Citations for the most commonly used resources – See your Librarian if you have questions about creating citations for other types of resources.

PRINT RESOURCES – Books, Reference Resources, Magazines, Journals & Newspapers

Basic Format for a Print Book: For most books, arrange the information into units; pay attention to the punctuation that follows each unit of information: the author's or editor's name; the title and subtitle, italicized; the place of publication, the publisher, and the date; and the medium. For example:

Book with One Author


Book with an Editor


Signed Article from a Reference Book – add the title of the essay in quotation marks, and include the edition number


Unsigned Article from a Reference Book


Articles in periodicals: This section shows how to prepare works cited entries for articles in magazines, scholarly journals, and newspapers. Again, arrange the information into units - the author's or editor's name; the title of the article; the title of the newspaper or journal, italicized; the place of publication, the publisher, and the date; the page(s) or section, and the medium. For example: