The Modern Language Association (MLA) provides guidelines for citing the sources you use in your research. Below is a brief summary of MLA style for citing the Internet and online databases. Directions for in-text citation follow this summary. For more details, ask a librarian for the MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers, LB 2369.G53.

**INTERNET CITATIONS**

**FORMAT**

Author(s). “Article title.” Name of website. Website date/revision. Name of institution/organization affiliated with site. Date of access <electronic address>.

**EXAMPLES:**

**ONE AUTHOR**


**NO AUTHOR**


**TWO AUTHORS**


**MORE THAN 3 AUTHORS**


**AUTHOR & EDITOR**


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FORMAT
Author(s). “Article title.” Periodical title publication date: page number(s).
Database name. Service name. Library name, city, state. Date of access
<electronic address>.

EXAMPLES:

CD-ROM

LIBRARY

TWO
AUTHORS
Jost, Kenneth and Gregory L. Giroux. “The Electoral College: Should It be Abolished?
Should It be Changed?” CQ Researcher 8 Dec. 2000. Sacramento City College

MORE THAN
3 AUTHORS
Guevara, James, et al. “Utilization and Cost of Health Care Services for Children With
Expanded Academic ASAP. Gale Group Databases. Sacramento City College

IN-TEXT CITATIONS
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Each in-text citation should refer the reader to a full citation in your bibliography. Usually, an in-text citation
should include the author’s last name and the page number for the cited information, as in Example 1 below. If
you are already naming the author in your sentence, simply citing the page number is sufficient (Example 2). If
no author is given or known, cite the title instead (Example 3).

EXAMPLES:

EXAMPLE 1: In-text citation for p. 2 of the NewsBank article by Judy Richter (see above):
“Solar hot water systems cost about $2,500 to $3,000” (Richter 2).

EXAMPLE 2: In-text citation for p. 2 of the online article by James Guevara et al. (see above):
“Evidence suggests,” say Guevara et al., “that children with ADHD underuse mental
health services for behavioral treatments” (2).

EXAMPLE 3: In-text citation for the entry, “Albatross,” in The Oxford English Dictionary on CD-ROM:
“The word albatross first appears in the English language in the eighteenth century”
(“Albatross”).