

# Wayland Multidisciplinary Writing Center

## MLA Works Cited

*Books, scholarly journal articles, and websites are the most common sources referenced in academic papers. All work cited entries should be double-spaced and should not skip spaces between entries. The first line of each entry is aligned along the left-hand margin, but all subsequent lines use a hanging indent. Entries appear in alphabetical order according to the author's last name. Below are the basic rules for citing sources in your works cited page.*

### MLA Core Elements

Various sources offer different types of information. However, all entries are built by consulting MLA's list of core elements. These elements create a specifically ordered list of features that are common amongst most sources. Simply follow the list, using the elements that are applicable, to create a new works cited entry.

Author. Title of Source. Title of container, other contributors, version, number, publisher, publication date, location.

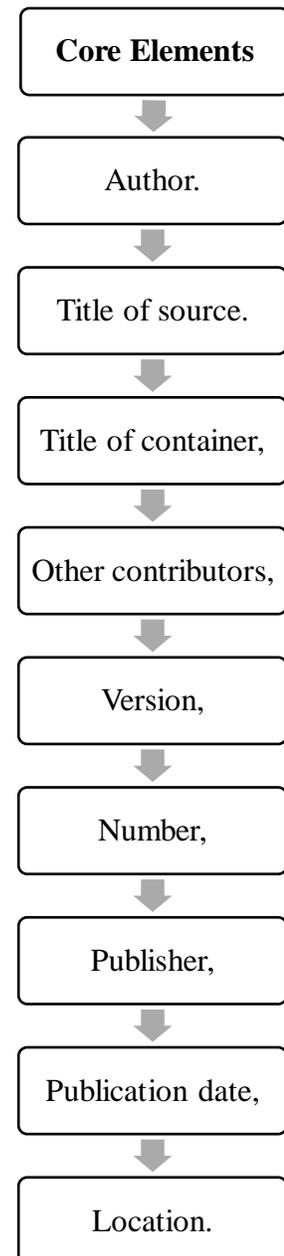
### Works Cited Guidelines

#### Book:

Last name, First name. *Title of Book*. Publisher, year of publication.

#### Journal Article:

Last name, First name. "Title of Article." *Title of Journal*, volume number, issue number, year of publication, page range of article.



### Website:

Editor, Author, or Compiler name (if available, in Last name, First name format). *Name of Site*, name of sponsor or publisher of site, date of creation, URL.

### Short Work within a Collection or Anthology:

Last name, First name. "Title of Essay." *Title of Collection*, editor's name(s), publisher, year of publication, page range of entry.

### Long Work within a Collections or Anthology:

Last name, First name. Title of Work. Title of Collection, editor editor's name(s), publisher, year of publication, page range of entry.

## **Examples**

When researching and writing, you may use sources that offer different types of information such as Listed below are a few instances you may encounter while creating your works cited.

### Citing Multiple Works by the Same Author:

MacDonald, George. *At the Back of the North Wind*. Johannesen, 2002.

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### Citing a Work by Two Authors:

Donato, Richard and Dawn MacCormik. "A Sociocultural Perspective on Language Learning Strategies: The Role of Mediation." *The Modern Language Journal*, vol. 78, no. 4, Winter 1994, pp. 453-464. JSTOR, <http://www.jstor.org/stable/328584>.

### Citing a Work by Three or More Authors:

Carlson, Greg, Tim Ellis, Trisha Graves, and Scottie May. *Perspectives on Children's Spiritual Formation*. Broadman, 2006.

### Citing Authors with Same Last Names:

Bronte, Charlotte. *Jane Eyre*. Norton, 2001.

Bronte, Emily. *Wuthering Heights*. Norton, 1990.

### Citing a Source With No Author:

"Publishing Shakespeare." Folger Shakespeare Library, <http://www.folger.edu/publishing-shakespeare>.

## **Formatting**

According to MLA documentation style, a works cited page should maintain the following general formatting guidelines:

- One inch margins.
- Double-spaced lines.
- Your last name and the page number in right-hand corner.

Center the title, Works Cited, at the top of the page. The first line of each entry is aligned with the left-hand margin. Use a hanging indent for subsequent lines. Entries appear in alphabetical order according to the author's last name.

