

This section will guide you through the most commonly used formatting and citation styles. The most common citation styles are:

- APA (American Psychological Association) is an author/date based style, where emphasis is placed on the author and the date of a piece of work to uniquely identify it. APA is most commonly used to cite sources within the social sciences;
- MLA (Modern Language Association) style, which is used to write papers and cite sources within the liberal arts and humanities;
- Chicago and Turabian, which are two separate styles but are very similar, just like Harvard and APA. They are widely used for history and economics;
- Vancouver, which is mainly used in medical and scientific papers;
- Harvard. Where APA is primarily used in the USA, Harvard referencing is the most well used referencing style in the UK and Australia, and is encouraged for use with the humanities. We recommend our writers to settle it with the customers, which manual for Harvard referencing should be used in each specific case. While the common US formats like APA, MLA and Chicago are easily accessible at the Purdue OWL website and other reliable resources, we urge you to prompt the customers to provide you with the Harvard manuals they wish to be used. Otherwise, feel free to use the link to Harvard manual provided below.

As a freelance writer you may find MLA and APA to be the most commonly used citation and referencing systems. Please, follow the links below for comprehensive guides on the most common referencing styles:

- APA: <https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/560/01/>
- MLA: <https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/747/01/>
- Chicago: <https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/717/01/>
- Harvard: <http://guides.is.uwa.edu.au/harvard>