

The Chicago Manual of Style, 17th Edition presents a citation and format style, often referred to as *Chicago*, that is primarily used in professional publications and academic writing by those working in literature, history, the arts, and social sciences. Turabian style, outlined in *A Manual for Writers of Research Papers, Theses, and Dissertations*, is a simplified version of Chicago meant for undergraduate academic writing.

There are two primary Chicago and Turabian in-text citation styles: author-date and **notes and bibliography**. The difference between these two styles has to do with how they cite other sources: author-date indicates the source of cited material using in-text parentheses and a corresponding reference list (like APA), while notes and bibliography uses a system of notes (footnotes or endnotes), which contains the citational information (author, title, date, etc.) in the notes, paired with a full bibliography at the end.

This handout provides a basic outline of the **notes and bibliography** citation style and format. Throughout the handout, sections in Chicago and Turabian are cited (by the letters *C* and *T*, respectively) so readers can refer to these manuals for more information. While this handout covers general concepts, always work with your audience and assignment in mind.

General Format

Page Numbers (*C* 1.6, *T* A.1.4.1–2)

Page numbers should be included and placed consistently, generally in one of four locations: (1) centered in the footer, (2) centered in the header, (3) flush right in the footer, or (4) flush right in the header.

Font (*T* A.1.2)

For the body of the paper, use a standard font such as 12-point Times New Roman or 10-point Arial. In general, use a smaller size font (10- or 11-point) for notes.

Spacing and Margins (*C* 2.8, 2.12; *T* A.1.1, A.1.3)

Double-space the text and leave a one-inch margin on all sides of the document. Indent the first line of each paragraph. Single-space footnotes, endnotes, block quotes, and the bibliography.

Section Headings (*C* 1.55–56, *T* A.2.2.4)

Section headings or subheadings can be used to title different sections of your paper. Organizing your paper with titled sections helps the reader understand the structure of your argument, especially for longer papers. You can indicate higher or lower-level headings with boldface, italics, centering, and title caps, though Chicago is flexible on exactly what this looks like. Here's a possible example:

First Level: centered, bold or italics, title caps	The Problem of Universals in Medieval Philosophy
Second Level: centered, regular type, title caps	William of Ockham's View of Universals
Third Level: left-aligned, regular type, title caps	Universals in Ockham's Political Philosophy

Block Quote (*C* 2.19, 13.9–10, 13.22–24, 13.70; *T* 25.2.2)

Longer quotations (for example, multi-paragraph quotations or quotations of more than 100 words) should be block-quoted. Block quotes are single-spaced and start on their own line with no quotation marks. The whole quote is indented from the left, generally by 0.5 inches (the same as a regular paragraph indent) with no extra first-line paragraph indent. There should be a blank line before and after the block quote. In notes and bibliography format, a footnote reference should follow the final punctuation mark of the block quote.

Figures/Illustrations (C 3.8–13, 26.1.1–3, 26.3)

Figures/illustrations can be placed in the body of the text to convey information in a more graphical manner or to reproduce an image for the reader's convenience. Figures should be referenced in-text by the phrase *Figure X* (e.g. "Figure 3 shows that . . ."). Figures should be positioned close to their in-text reference. They should also be captioned, generally flush left beneath the image, with the word *Figure* and a number corresponding consecutively to the figures in the paper. This is followed by a short description of the figure (see Figure 1).

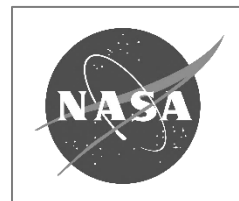


Figure 1. *NASA Insignia*.
Design by James
Modarelli, 1959. NASA.

Information about paintings and images can generally be included in the text, but it can also appear in the notes and bibliography. They can be cited by the source (like a book or website) in which they were found (see C 3.30–37) or by the museum in which they are housed (see C 14.235).

Note and Bibliography Formatting

Regardless of citation style, citing sources is a necessary and important part of academic writing because it allows writers to distinguish between their own ideas and the ideas of other authors. If writers do not acknowledge another author's work, they commit plagiarism, which may have serious consequences.

Footnotes or Endnotes (C 14.24)

The notes and bibliography system uses footnotes or endnotes to indicate the source of a particular quote, idea, or piece of information. These notes, which employ a superscripted number corresponding to an associated note at either the bottom of the page (footnote) or immediately preceding the bibliography (endnote), can be inserted into your text with an "insert footnote" or "insert endnote" button available in most word processors. The number typically appears after the final punctuation of the sentence in which material is referenced.

Yet because the information unveiled was so critical, the
cryptoanalysts literally saved the day.³

The ability to decipher the code of the enemy enabled the allies
to get the upper hand in WWII. American historian Thomas
Powers wrote the following:

The American ability to read Japanese cables, code-named
Magic, was one of the small advantages that helped the Allies
win time and then the war. Another was the British ability to
read the German military communications enciphered with
the Enigma machine, code-named Ultra.⁴

3. Alan Cutler, *Codes in Abodes* (Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 1943), 110.
4. Thomas Powers, *The Enigma Machine* (London: Dewie Brothers, 1977),
22.

What is in a Note? (C 14.20, 14.28, 14.37–39)

The note contains the **citational information** of the source, such as the author, title, publisher, etc., as well as optional commentary, such as further analysis or comparison with other sources. You may also cite multiple sources or multiple pages within the same source.

Formatting of Notes (C 14.20)

The citational information of the note is formatted differently than that same information contained in the bibliography page. In general, the note format substitutes periods for commas and uses the order of first name then last name. See below for examples.

Shortened Notes (C 14.29–30)

After a source has already been cited in full, notes and bibliography permits note citation to be shortened, so that only necessary information like the author, title, and page number is present in the shortened note.

¹ Pauline Schmitt-Pantel, "Sacrificial Meal and Symposium: Two Models of Civic Institutions in the Archaic City?" in *Sympotica: A Symposium on the Somposion*, ed. Oswyn Murray (Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1990), 25.

² Schmitt-Pantel, "Sacrificial Meal and Symposium," 32.

Missing Information (C 14.79; 14.145; T 16.2.2.1; 17.1.1.5; 17.1.6.3; 17.5.1)

Sometimes sources are missing certain information, such as the name of the author or the publication date. With **missing authors**, leave the space blank and use the title of the piece in its place. With a **missing publication date**, use the acronym *n.d.* (no date) in place of the date. Otherwise, **the general rule** is to skip the piece of information if it is missing.

Bibliography Format (C 14.62–65; T A.2.3.5)

The notes and bibliography system uses a bibliography at the end of the paper where the information for the various sources used throughout the paper is contained. Format the bibliography as follows:

- ☐ Center the word *Bibliography* at the top of its own page
- ☐ Add two lines under *Bibliography* before the first citation entry
- ☐ Alphabetize each source by last name
- ☐ Single-space each entry
- ☐ Add a blank line between each entry
- ☐ Apply a hanging indent to each entry

<p style="text-align: center;">Bibliography</p> <p>Bynum, Caroline Walker. <i>Holy Feast and Holy Fast: The Religious Significance of Food to Medieval Women</i>. Berkeley: University of California Press, 1987.</p> <p>Chakrabarty, Dipesh. "The Climate of History: Four Theses." <i>Critical Inquiry</i> 35, no. 2 (Winter 2009): 197–222. https://doi.org/10.1086/596640.</p> <p>Murray, Oswyn. "The Greek Symposium in History." In <i>Tria Corda: Scritti in onore di Arnaldo Momigliano</i>, edited by Emilio Gabba, 257–72. Como: Edizioni New Press, 1983.</p> <p>Sahlins, Marshall and David Graeber. <i>On Kings</i>. Chicago: Hau Books, 2017.</p>
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Citation Format for Notes and Bibliography

Since the notes-bibliography system conveys the citational information of a source both in the note and in the bibliography, there are two separate and distinct formats for writing a citation in notes and bibliography format. As noted above, the differences between these two formats are relatively minor. However, a list of citations in both formats is provided below.

Book by a Single Author (C 14.23)

Note: First Name Last Name, *Title* (Location: Publisher, Year), page.

Note: Caroline Walker Bynum, *Holy Feast and Holy Fast: The Religious Significance of Food to Medieval Women* (Berkeley: University of California Press, 1987), 153.

Bibliography: Last Name, First Name. *Title*. Location: Publisher, Year.

Bibliography: Bynum, Caroline Walker. *Holy Feast and Holy Fast: The Religious Significance of Food to Medieval Women*. Berkeley: University of California Press, 1987.

Book by Two or More Authors (C 14.23)

Note: First and Last Name and First and Last Name, *Title* (Location: Publisher, Year), page.

Note: Marshall Sahlins and David Graeber, *On Kings* (Chicago: Hau Books, 2017), 15.

Bibliography: Last Name, First Name, and First and Last Name. *Title*. Location: Publisher, Year.

Bibliography: Sahlins, Marshall, and David Graeber. *On Kings*. Chicago: Hau Books, 2017.

Journal Article (C 14.23)

Note: First Name Last Name, "Article Title," *Journal Title* volume number, no. issue (Month or Season year): page, DOI.

Note: Dipesh Chakrabarty, "The Climate of History: Four Theses," *Critical Inquiry* 35, no. 2 (Winter 2009): 102, <https://doi.org/10.1086/596640>.

Bibliography: Last Name, First Name. "Article Title." *Journal Title* volume number, no. issue (Month or Season year): pages. DOI.

Bibliography: Chakrabarty, Dipesh. "The Climate of History: Four Theses." *Critical Inquiry* 35, no. 2 (Winter 2009): 197–222. <https://doi.org/10.1086/596640>.

Text in Collected Works (C 14.107)

Note: First Name Last Name, "Title of Text," in *Title of Collected Works*, ed. Editor's First Name Last Name (Location: Publisher, year), page.

Note: Oswyn Murray, "The Greek Symposium in History," in *Tria Corda: Scritti in onore di Arnaldo Momigliano*, ed. Emilio Gabba (Como: Edizioni New Press, 1983), 265.

Bibliography: Last Name, First Name. "Title of Text." In *Title of Collected Works*, edited by First Name Last Name, inclusive pages. Location: Publisher, year.

Bibliography: Murray, Oswyn. "The Greek Symposium in History." In *Tria Corda: Scritti in onore di Arnaldo Momigliano*, edited by Emilio Gabba, 257–72. Como: Edizioni New Press, 1983.

Article in a Newspaper (C 14.191)

Note: First Name Last Name, "Title of Article," *Title of Newspaper*, Month day, year, page or URL.

Note: Braley Dodson, "Facebook Is Coming to Eagle Mountain," *Daily Herald*, May 30, 2018, <https://www.heraldextra.com/news/2018/may/30/facebook-is-coming-to-eagle-mountain/>.

Bibliography: Last Name, First Name. "Title." *Title of Newspaper*, Month day, year, URL.

Bibliography: Dodson, Braley. "Facebook Is Coming to Eagle Mountain." *Daily Herald*, May 30, 2018. <https://www.heraldextra.com/news/2018/may/30/facebook-is-coming-to-eagle-mountain/>.

Website (C 14.207–208)

Note: First Name Last Name, "Title of the Page," Website, Publisher, date published [or accessed, if no publication date is available], URL.

Note: John Thornton, "Roboredo, KiKongo Sermon," African American and Black Diaspora Studies, Boston University, accessed July 7, 2023, <https://www.bu.edu/afam/people/faculty/john-thornton/roboredo-kikongo-sermon/>.

Bibliography: Last name, First name. "Title of Page." Website. Publisher. Date published [or accessed, if no publication date is available], URL.

Bibliography: Thornton, John. "Roboredo, KiKongo Sermon." African American and Black Diaspora Studies. Boston University. Accessed July 7, 2023, <https://www.bu.edu/afam/people/faculty/john-thornton/roboredo-kikongo-sermon/>.