

American Sociological Association (ASA) Style

This is the official formatting style recommended by the American Sociological Association. Here are some tips and examples of how to make references in ASA format. A full and official description of ASA style formatting can be found [here](#).

Citations in the body of the paper -

- When an author's name is cited in-text, the date of the citation should be put in parentheses.
- When Mead (1934) researched...
- When the author's name is not cited in-text, the author's last name should be included in the parentheses along with the date.
- Individual life emerged from collective life (Durkheim 1893)...
- When there are two authors, give both names as well as the date in parentheses.
- Individuals become members of society rather than being born into society (Berger and Luckmann 1967)...
- When there are three authors, use all of their last names in the first citation, and afterwards use the first author's name with *et al.*
- First citation – (Baudrillard, Lovitt, and Klopsch 1976)
- Afterwards – (Baudrillard et al. 1976)
- When there are four or more authors, use only the first author's name and *et al.*
- (Longino et al. 1984)

Reference pages -

- Citing a book -
- Ritzer, George. 1995. *The McDonaldization of Society: An Investigation into the Changing Character of Contemporary Social Life*. New York: Pine Forge.
- Citing a scholarly journal article -
- Blumer, Herbert. 1971. "Social Problems as Collective Behavior." *Social Problems* 18: 298-306.