

MLA CITATION - CAREER

The Modern Language Association (MLA) citation style is used for writing in the arts and humanities. The handbook containing the citation style also discusses research and writing style. There are many copies at LeDoux Library in the Reference Room and at the Front Desk. All copies are for in-library use only. Section numbers (5.6.1) refer to the MLA Handbook.

The purpose of this handout is to show additional examples of the MLA citation style that are most likely to be needed when writing about careers. Some entries have notes explaining variations of the rules.

Style Manual

Modern Language Association. MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers. 7th ed. New York: MLA, 2009. Print.

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Catalog

Note: there are no MLA rules for catalogs, so use the combined version below. If the catalog gives a publisher, such as the school's press, use that instead of the school.

Corporate Author (5.5.5) & Brochure/Pamphlet (5.5.19):

Louisiana State University at Eunice. 2008-2009 Catalog. Vol. 40. Eunice: Louisiana State U at Eunice, 2008. Print.

Citing Web Publications (5.6):

2011-2012 Academic Catalog. Vol. 43. Louisiana State U Eunice, 31 October 2011. Web. 4 June 2012.

Interview

Interview, Conducted by Author (5.7.7):

Jagger, Mick. Personal interview. 2 May 2006.

Job Advertisements

Note: the closest rule in MLA for job listings would be for advertisements. The first part is "the name of the product, company, or institution" which would be either the position itself, or the company offering it. These examples use one of each: company and position. While not required, if a position or job number is given, you could include it.

From a newspaper (5.7.10):

Acadiana Region Supports and Services Center. Position advertisement. Eunice News 25 Jan. 2009: B5. Print.

From a website (5.6.2.b):

Teacher. Position advertisement. *Monster.com*. Monster Worldwide, Inc., 2009 Jan. 22. Web. 28 Jan. 2009.

Websites

Note: there are many additional rules for citing websites. Please consult the Web Handout or MLA Handbook for clarification and additional examples.

Something Only on the Web (5.6.2.b):

"Common Careers for Personality Types." The Personality Page. BSM Consulting, 2006. Web. 28 Jan. 2009.

"Jung Typology Test." HumanMetrics. Humanmetrics.com, 2008. Web. 28 Jan. 2009.

Kuder Career Planning System. Kuder, Inc., 2009. Web. 28 Jan. 2009.

Note: the new (2009) MLA edition does not recommend adding URLs for websites or online resources, unless "the reader probably cannot locate the source without it or when your instructor requires it." Since this example has only basic information, including a URL would be helpful.

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