

VANCOUVER REFERENCING

Introduction to Vancouver

- Vancouver is a numerical style with references identified using brackets (1)
- These numbers correspond to full citations in a reference list at the end of your work.
- Note that footnotes are not used in Vancouver
- Superscript numbers¹ may be used as an alternative to brackets (1) however this is uncommon
- If you cite a piece of work more than once, the same citation number should be used.

Example:

Crawford contends that it is not plagiarism that has increased, but the quality of detection methods. (1) While Smyth disagrees in suggesting that plagiarism is rife within Higher Education (2), perhaps by educating students and encouraging the use of online software such as “Turn-it-in”, plagiarism will become a thing of the past. (1)

Author names

Authors should be listed by surname then initials *Example:*

Crawford TJ

Note the absence of commas and full stops

If there are more than 6 authors, list them followed by et al.

Example:

Crawford TJ, Moran P, McQuade A, Zubairi M, McElroy D, Vempati S, *et al.*

Up to two lines

- Include as part of the main text

Example:

Charles Rennie Mackintosh is one of the most influential Scottish architects. Mackintosh’s Glasgow School of Art “heralded the birth of a new style in 20th century European Architecture”.¹

Long quotations

- Start on separate line
- Indent
- No quotation marks
- If you refer to a quotation within a quotation then use double quotation marks
- Use [...] to signify omission of words from the quotation.

Example:

Charles Dickens' novel Bleak House opens with the following description to set the scene for his story:

London [...] Implacable November weather. As much mud in the streets as if the water had but newly retired from the face of the earth, and it would not be wonderful to meet a Megalosaurus, forty feet long or so, waddling like an elephantine lizard up Holborn Hill. ²

How to reference a....

Book

- Author(s)/Editor (s)- surname then initials of forename
- Title
- Edition (if not first)
- (Place of publication: Publisher; Year of publication)

Example:

Bryman A. Social research methods. 3rd ed. Oxford: Oxford University Press; 2008.

Chapter in a book

- Author of chapter
- Title of chapter
- In:
- Author(s)/editor(s) of book
- Title of book
- Edition of book (if not first)
- Place of publication: Publisher; Year of publication
- Page numbers of chapter -p.

Example:

Benton D. Diet, behaviour and cognition in children. In: Kilcast D, Angus F, editors. Developing children's food products. Cambridge: Woodhead; 2011. p. 62-81.

Journal article

- Author of article
- Title of article
- Title of journal
- Year, first 3 letters of month, date;
- Volume(issue number):
- Page numbers of article-omit pp.

Example:

Endres M, Engelhardt B, Koistinaho J, Lindvall O, Meairs S, Mohr JP, et al. Improving outcome after stroke: Overcoming the translational roadblock. *Cerebrovasc Dis.* 2008, Feb, 22;25(3):268-78.

Webpage

- Author if identifiable
- Title of internet site [Internet]
- Place of Publication:
- Publisher;
- Year of publication/date of copyright (e.g., c2008)
- The date cited [cited year month day]
- Available from: URL

Example:

General Medical Council [Internet]. London: GMC; c2017; [cited 2017 Jan 10]. Available from: <http://www.gmc-uk.org/>

Conference paper

- Author
- Title of conference paper
- Full title of conference;
- Year month date;
- Location
- If published, add details of place and publisher

Example:

Harnden P, Joffe JK, Jones WG, editors. Germ cell tumours V. Proceedings of the 5th Germ Cell Tumour Conference; 2001 Sep 13-15; Leeds, UK. New York: Springer; 2002.

Official Government Report

- Name of Government Department
- Title of report
- Place of publication:
- Publisher;
- Year of publication.
- Report number (if available)

Example:

Department of Health. Choosing health: making healthy choices easier. London: Stationery Office; 2004. Report No.: Cm 6374.

Bibliography

Format

- The reference list provides details of sources in the order they appeared in the text.
- It is not alphabetical.