

# APA 7th Edition Requirements: Basic Formatting and Style

## The American Psychological Association (APA) 7th edition:

- Title page (note: A running head is no longer required unless your instructor requires this.)
- 1-inch margins on all sides (see the Layout tab in Microsoft® Word®, select margins on the far left, and then select “Normal”).
- Indent the first line of each paragraph .5 inches.
- Font: Use Times New Roman\* 12-point font if none is specified by your instructor.
- Reference page
- Double-spaced
- Left-margin-aligned (see the “Home” paragraph tab in your Word document)
- Include a title page and a reference page in addition to the paper.

### References Page:

For every citation in your paper you must have an accompanying reference included on the separate references page at the end of your paper.

Access the Purdue University Global Writing Center’s current [APA Common Citations and References](#) and the [APA 7th edition video](#) for paper and title page formatting. Alternatively, you can access the PG Using Sources & APA Style [main page](#).

You can also go to the Academic Tools area on the left navigation in the course to access Academic Writer or other resources located in the Academic Success Center (formerly the Academic Support Center).

\*Although there is no specified font and size that is required in the 7th edition of the APA Manual (2020), a sans serif font is suggested in 11-point font size if Ariel or Calibri is used for instance. Alternatively, a serif font such as the one used in this course, or Georgia in 11-point font is suggested (p. 44). Times New Roman 12-point font is the acceptable one to use in this course, unless otherwise stipulated by your instructor.

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