

APA Style: Multiple Authors & Citations

- APA style contains multiple rules for formatting your citations of paraphrased information:
- Remember, the rules for authors remain the same for quoted materials, but you will need to also include a page number: (Smith, et al., 2018, p. 23).
- **No first names:** In an effort to eliminate gender-bias, APA style will never include authors' first names. Remember to omit the initials of the first name from within any in-text citations.
- **Ampersand:** Note the use of the ampersand within the parenthetical formats below.
- **Multiple authors:** APA contains special space-saving rules for sources with many authors. As of the 7th edition of the APA Handbook, citation rules change at 3 or more authors. For all in-text citations with more than 2 authors, utilize "et al." after the first listed author to conserve space. Please note, "et al." is an abbreviation of the Latin *et alia* (and others), so you will need to include the period after "al." with every use!

Examples of In-Text Citations

Type of citation	First citation in text	Subsequent citation in text	Parenthetical format, first citation in text	Parenthetical format, subsequent citations in text
One work by one author	Smith (2018)	Smith (2018)	(Smith, 2018)	(Smith, 2018)
One work by two authors	Smith and Lee (2018)	Smith and Lee (2018)	(Smith & Lee, 2018)	(Smith & Lee, 2018)
One work by three or more authors	Smith et al. (2018)	Smith et al. (2018)	(Smith et al., 2018)	(Smith et al., 2018)
One work by a group (aka "corporate" or "organizational" author)	American Counseling Association (ACA, 2015)	ACA (2015)	(American Counseling Association [ACA], 2015).	(ACA, 2015)

