The APA Reference List

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- Citing Sources: indicate author(s), date of publication, and page number(s)
  (Bradley, Ramirez, & Soo, 1999, p. 10)
  - for more see Chapter 6, particularly section 6.19, 6.05, and Table 6.1
- To prepare the bibliography, center the term “References” at the top of a new page.
  (section 2.11 and figure 2.1 (p. 49))
- Citations should be alphabetized by the author’s last name. Questions about order?
  (section 6.25)
- Double-space each citation. (figure 2.1 (p. 49)) (Due to space restraints, examples below are single-spaced.)
- Indentation Style: Use the “hanging indentation” style, for which the second and following lines get indented by one-half inch (or 5–7 spaces). (section 2.11)
- Italics: Use italics for titles of books, journals, films, TV shows. (section 4.21)
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