

The *boundary 2* style guide comprises three parts: (1) a style sheet listing elements of style and format particular to the journal; (2) the “Duke University Press Journals Style Guide,” which offers general rules for DUP journals based on *The Chicago Manual of Style*, 18th ed. (CMS); and (3) an explanation with examples of the journal’s format for citations and reference list or bibliography.

## *boundary 2* Style Sheet

Listed below are important *boundary 2* style points that are in addition to what is outlined in the Duke University Press Journals Style Guide.

Note that this journal uses **author-date citations** in the text with a **corresponding reference list of works cited** at the end of the article (see DOCUMENTATION at the end of the style guide).

### ABSTRACTS AND KEYWORDS

Articles, review essays, and interviews should all include a 120-word abstract and 3–5 keywords.

Abstracts should be written in the third person (“This article proposes . . .”), not the first person (“I propose . . .”).

### ACADEMIC AND EDITORIAL TITLES

In the masthead and when referring to its own editorial leadership, *boundary 2* hyphenates the title *co-editor*, contra DUP and CMS.

We, the new co-editors of *boundary 2*, are . . .

General academic titles like “associate professor,” “lecturer,” “department chair,” “dean,” as well as professional titles like “editor” are not capitalized. Named or titled professorships, chairs, fellowships, and the like however, are capitalized, as in the last example below.

Françoise Meltzer is professor of comparative literature at . . .

John W. Boyer is dean of the . . .

Juniper B. Jones is the editor of . . .

Anthony Grafton is the Dodge Professor of History at Princeton University.

### ACADEMIC SUBJECTS AND FIELDS OF STUDY

Academic subjects (e.g., *gender studies*, *history*, *comparative literature*) are *not* capitalized unless (1) the academic subject forms part of a formal department name (e.g., *the Department of Anthropology* but *the anthropology department*), (2) the academic subject is part of an official course name (e.g., *Archaeology 101*), or (3) the subject is itself a proper noun (e.g., *English*, *Latin American*). Note that *department* is lowercase when used in the general sense (*philosophy*

*departments*), when preceded by an adjective (e.g., *the English department*), and when appearing without the full department name (e.g., *the department*).

She has published widely in the history of religions.

They have a wide variety of courses in gender studies.

The Department of History at Georgetown isn't like other history departments.

## ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Acknowledgments are written in the first person and appear as an unnumbered note on the article opening page.

## ACTIVE VS. PASSIVE VOICE

Note that *boundary 2* strongly prefers to publish in the active voice rather than the passive voice.

We advise authors to write in direct style and to specify agency where possible.

## CONTRACTIONS

Contra DUP style, *boundary 2* generally allows contractions in articles.

## INTERVIEWS

### Formatting

Interviewer and interviewee initials are styled in bold roman type. All colons following initials are roman type, but not bolded. Interviewer questions are italicized, with reverse italics (i.e., not italicized) for titles of works, emphasis, or other text that would normally be italicized.

Interviewee answers are not italicized. See examples below.

### Citations in Interviews

Citations in interviews are editorial interpolations and are therefore given in brackets rather than parentheses. A corresponding reference list should appear at the end of the interview.

**JF:** *I'd like to begin by talking about style. On the back cover of your book *Feeling Global*, Meaghan Morris writes, "Bruce Robbins is one of the best sentence-shapers in contemporary American letters, unequivocally an heir of the famous New York liberal style" [Robbins 1999]. I'm curious to hear you discuss your relationship to your style.*

**BR:** *[laughs] I think she was being overgenerous. She's a great stylist. What do I think about style? I don't think I'm particularly good at it. You know, when I read really amazing stylists, really writerly types—James Wood writing for the *New Yorker* or Michael Wood writing for the *London Review of Books*, people who really are incapable of a dull sentence—I think, I am capable of a dull sentence.*

### Grammar and Syntax in Interviews

Most *b2* interviews are transcriptions of spoken conversations. Copyeditors and authors should carefully check for transcription errors, including incorrect or inconsistent spelling and

capitalization (especially of names, places, and titles) and homophones (e.g., *they're*, *their*, and *there*; *you're* and *your*; *to*, *two*, and *too*).

Sentence fragments, incomplete thoughts, informal syntax, conversational cadences, colloquialisms, italics for emphasis, and other features of informal speech are allowed. Punctuation, syntax, and formatting may be adjusted to aid clarity or impose consistency. Clarifications or added information should be enclosed in brackets.

Interjections that are not spoken (e.g., *laughs*, *sighs*, *nods*, and the like) are italicized and enclosed in brackets.

Follow *Merriam-Webster's* spelling of interjections like *hmm*, *mm-hmm*, *um*, and similar. These utterances are not italicized and are styled like usual speech.

**AB:** Hmm. Well, we were driving, and we just turned off from the direction we were heading, which was Kingston [Jamaica], and went back into the deep rural area, the winding roads in the hills. When we arrived, my grandmother had already set on her dining table lunch for three. And I said to her, "How in the name of God did you know I was coming? Because I didn't tell you, and it was a spur of the moment." [*laughs*] It really wasn't planned. And her response was, "Mr. Isaac, who chopped the tree over your head, died this morning. So I know you'd come back today." [Note that *know you'd come back* (rather than *knew*) is allowed to stand.]

Ellipses are used where the speaker appears to have trailed off.

**EL:** But anyway, I never really knew what . . .

Abrupt changes in thought and interruptions or overlapping speech are indicated by em dashes.

**EL:** And that surprised me because—

**PM:** *Yes! I wanted to ask about that.*

### **Unspoken Discourse, Indirect Discourse, and Paraphrased Dialogue**

Interviews often direct discourse as well as unspoken discourse or indirect discourse, such as paraphrased conversations, imagined dialogue, and other forms of discourse.

See CMS 6.45 and 12.49 on unspoken discourse, defined as "thought, imagined dialogue, and other internal discourse." Unspoken discourse that is strictly internal is not enclosed in quotation marks and, if occurring midsentence, begins with a capital letter. Unspoken discourse that is not strictly internal but imagined or projected, especially if presented as a conversation, can be placed in quotation marks. Where the distinction is unclear, preference should be given to the treatment that best aids comprehension and clarity.

I said to myself, There's something structurally similar about this character in Balzac and the way he figures in an upward mobility story.

He must've thought, Hmm, now there's an idea.

I could imagine him saying, "Listen, you don't want to go that way." [This is an example of imagined discourse presented as a conversation that can be placed in quotation marks.]

Paraphrased quotations may be presented in quotation marks, but the context should make clear that the material is not necessarily a direct quote. If the context does not clarify this, a brief explanatory footnote can be added.

And then he said something to me like, "We enjoyed this draft, but we worry that it lacks market potential."

## REVIEW ESSAYS

All review essays should be clearly identified with the header *b2 Review Essay* and include an unnumbered note on the article opening page indicating the work under review.

Book Reviewed: Anthony Grafton and David A. Bell, *The West: A New History* (W. W. Norton, 2018).

## SECTION BREAKS

Sections may be designated with section titles or untitled section breaks. At the manuscript stage, untitled section breaks are designated like so: **<section break>**

Section titles may be numbered.

## TRANSLATED TITLES

Non-English titles in the reference list do not require a translation. Non-English titles presented in running text should be accompanied by a translation in DUP style (see TRANSLATIONS below).

# Duke University Press Journals Style Guide

Duke University Press journals adhere to the rules in this style guide and to *The Chicago Manual of Style*, 18th ed. (CMS). We also follow the European Accessibility Act's guidelines and supply alt text for all illustrations and tag foreign-language words and phrases, which allows a screen reader to know when a shift in the dominant language occurs, making pronunciations more accurate.

## ABBREVIATIONS

Corporate, municipal, national, and supranational abbreviations and acronyms appear in full caps. Most initialisms (abbreviations pronounced as strings of letters) are preceded by *the*.

further expansion of NATO's membership

dissent within the AFL-CIO

sexism is rampant at IBM

certain US constituencies

Spell out Latin abbreviations such as *i.e.*, *e.g.*, and *etc.* in the text, though allow abbreviations within parentheses in the text. Allow abbreviations in notes. When used, these abbreviations are set in roman type, not italics. The word *sic*, however, is italicized.

Personal initials have periods and are spaced.

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## ABSTRACTS

Substantial articles should include an abstract of approximately 200 words. Book reviews and short issue introductions do not require abstracts.

Abstracts should be written in the third person ("This article proposes . . ."), not the first person ("I propose . . .").

It is preferable for abstracts to summarize the content and argument of the article, not describe the contents and argument. For example:

The Marxist theory of primitive accumulation explains the rise of the postbellum cotton industry in the southern United States. However, it fails to account for the parallel penetration of railways into the region. Federal subsidies played a significant role in supporting railways, demonstrating the link between a protoglobal industry and federal government, which sought to promote "free labor" and international trade.

*not*

This article defends the view that the Marxist theory of primitive accumulation explains . . .

## **CAPITALIZATION. See also SPELLING AND HYPHENATION**

See CMS, chap. 8, for general guidance on capitalization.

In Romance and other languages, use diacritics with capital letters.

### **After a Colon**

If the material introduced by a colon consists of a complete sentence, or if it is a quotation or a speech in dialogue, it should begin with a capital letter. Otherwise, it begins with a lowercase letter. See CMS 6.65, 6.67.

### **Quotations**

Silently correct initial capitalization in quotations depending on the relationship of the quotation to the rest of the sentence (see CMS 12.19). For instance:

Smith stated that “we must carefully consider all aspects of the problem.”

*but*

Smith stated, “We must carefully consider all aspects of the problem.”

A lowercase letter following a period plus an ellipsis should be capitalized if it begins a grammatically complete sentence (CMS 12.62).

The spirit of our American radicalism is destructive. . . . The conservative movement . . . is timid, and merely defensive of property.

### **Terms**

A down (lowercase) style is generally preferred for terms. See CMS, chap. 8, for detailed guidelines on capitalization of terms.

### **Titles of Works**

For titles in English, capitalize the first and last words and all nouns, pronouns, adjectives, verbs, adverbs, subordinating conjunctions (*if, because, that, etc.*), and prepositions with five or more characters (*about, between, without, etc.*). Lowercase articles (*a, an, the*), coordinating conjunctions, prepositions with four or fewer characters (*on, of, with, etc.*), the *to* in infinitives, and the word *as* in any function. In rare cases, a shorter preposition may be capitalized when paired with a longer preposition (*for* in *For and Against*). See CMS 8.160.

For hyphenated and open compounds in titles in English, capitalize first elements; subsequent elements are capitalized unless they are articles, prepositions with four or fewer characters, or coordinating conjunctions. Subsequent elements attached to prefixes are capitalized. The second element of hyphenated spelled-out numbers or simple fractions should be capitalized. If a compound (other than one with a hyphenated prefix) comes at the end of the title, its final element is always capitalized. See CMS 8.162.

Nineteenth-Century Literature  
 Avoiding a Run-In  
 Policies on Re-Creation  
 Reading the Twenty-Third Psalm  
 Singing While You Work

When titles contain direct quotations, the title case style described above and in CMS should be imposed.

“We All Live More like Brutes than Humans”: Labor and Capital in the Gold Rush

In capitalizing titles in *any* non-English language, including French, capitalize the first letter of the title and subtitle and all proper nouns. See CMS 11.77 and 11.42 for the treatment of Dutch and German titles, respectively. Diacritical marks on capital letters are retained in all languages.

## CONTRIBUTOR’S NOTE

Each contributor’s note includes the author’s name, rank, affiliation, areas of activity or research, and most recent works. Dates of publication, but not publishers’ names, are given for books.

Rebecca Newman is professor of history at the University of Chicago. She is author of *In the Country of the Last Emperor* (1991).

Yingjin Zhang teaches Chinese literature at Indiana University. His book *Configurations of the City in Modern Chinese Literature* is forthcoming.

## DATES AND TIMES. See also NUMBERS

For more information, see CMS 9.31–40.

May 1968  
 May 1, 1968  
 May 1–3, 1968  
 on February 8, 1996, at 8:15 a.m. and again at 6:15 p.m.  
 September–October 1992  
 from 1967 to 1970  
 1960s counterculture; sixties [*not* 60s or ’60s] counterculture  
 the 1980s and 1990s  
 mid-1970s American culture  
 the mid-nineteenth century [note hyphen, not en dash]

the late twentieth century; late twentieth-century Kenya

the years 1896–1900, 1900–1905, 1906–9, 1910–18

“The Audacity of His Enterprise: Louis Riel and the Métis Nation That Canada Never Was, 1840–1875” [use full year range in titles of works and headings]

AD 873; the year 640 BC; Herod Antipas (21 BCE–39 CE) [use full caps without periods for era designations]

ca. 1820

## EXTRACTS. See also CAPITALIZATION and PUNCTUATION (Ellipses)

Set off quotations that are more than 400 characters (including spaces) in length.

## FIGURES AND TABLES

Each figure or table should be referred to either parenthetically (*figure* is abbreviated as *fig.* within parentheses) or in running text at a relevant place in the discussion. Number tables and figures consecutively.

The pressure of the flow repeatedly threatened to break down the walls that had just been created by cooling (fig. 3).

As figure 1 shows, our labor took the form of designing supported experiences for GTAs.

The problem with school attendance in the Bronx (see table 1) is largely the fault of a social system that neglects its children.

### Figure Captions

Captions are sentence case and have terminal punctuation. If credit or source information is provided, it should be the last element of the caption.

Figure 1. The author with unidentified friend, 1977.

Figure 2. The author posed for this picture with an unidentified friend in 1977.

Figure 3. Noam Chomsky at a political rally, 1971. Courtesy of John Allan Cameron Archives, University of Florida, Gainesville.

Figure 4. Coal miners in Matewan, West Virginia, April 1920. The miners' strike was depicted in John Sayles's film *Matewan*. Courtesy of Matewan Historical Society.

Figure 5. Winston Roberts, *When Last I Saw* (1893). Oil on canvas, 56 × 48 in. Courtesy of the Campbell Collection, Central State Community College Library, Pleasance, Nebraska.

Figure 6. Harvey Nit, *These. These? Those!* (2011). Mascara on cocktail napkin, 16 × 16 cm. © Harvey Nit.

In addition to a caption, each figure requires *alt text*, a short description of the figure that allows nonsighted persons to access a publication's visual content. See CMS 3.28.



## Table Titles

Table titles are sentence case but do *not* have terminal punctuation.

Table 3. Comparative frequency of bicycles, mopeds, and Segways in Amsterdam, Dublin, and Toronto, 2005–15

## GRAMMAR

A split infinitive is OK if the text reads better with a split infinitive.

Make a distinction between *that* (restrictive) and *which* (nonrestrictive) but not obsessively (i.e., if making the distinction means that there will be several *thats* in a row, allow a restrictive *which*).

Maintain parallel structure.

Maintain subject-verb agreement and tense consistency.

## INCLUSIVE LANGUAGE

### Disability and Ableism

See CMS 5.260–62 for guidance on disability-inclusive language and avoiding ableism.

### Gendered Language

Avoid sexist language and terms that are gender specific (*chairman*, *mankind*, etc.). Do not use *he* or *she*, or *s/he*, or alternating *he* and *she*. Recast to use gender-neutral alternatives such as plural, singular *they*, or other options listed in CMS 5.265. See CMS 5.255–66 (bias-free language), especially 5.263–66, and 5.51–52 (singular *they*).

However, there may be times when the generic masculine pronoun or gendered language is appropriate or preferred by the author: for example, in discussions of works of philosophy in which the original author used *he*, *him*, *man*, and the like generically, or if the article’s author intentionally uses female pronouns exclusively or uses alternative pronouns such as *ze*.

*Themselves* may be used if the antecedent is clearly singular.

### Racial and Ethnic Terms

Capitalize terms used to identify people of color or of historically marginalized origins (e.g., *Black*, *Indigenous*). As a rule, do not capitalize terms used to identify people outside these groups (e.g., *white*). Do not capitalize *of color* constructions (e.g., *people of color*, *women of color*).

Exceptions are allowed if the author insists or if the text would be, in the editor’s view and with the author’s concurrence, well served by alternative treatment. The list that follows is intended to be illustrative not comprehensive. See CMS 8.39.

Aborigine, Aboriginal

BIPOC [Black, Indigenous, and People of Color]

Black, Blackness, anti-Black, anti-Blackness

Brown

First Nations

Indigenous, Indigeneity

Native

white, whiteness

A distinction may be made between this usage (which is usually capitalized) and the use of these terms in other senses, such as, generally, “originating in a particular place” (which would not be capitalized).

Indigenous peoples (referring to more than one group); the Indigenous peoples of the Caribbean; Indigenous cultures; Indigenous people; an Indigenous person (*but* peoples and cultures that are indigenous to the Americas)

**INITIALS. See ABBREVIATIONS**

**KEYWORDS. See also ABSTRACTS**

Articles that include an abstract should also include three to five keywords or key phrases. Keywords should be lowercase (except for names or titles that would otherwise be capitalized) and separated by commas. Full names should be used for people included as keywords

*Keywords* negative affect, self-portrait, Del LaGrace Volcano, intersex, Polaroid photography

**NOTES. See also the section on documentation below.**

Callouts for footnotes or endnotes are not permitted in article titles, in heads, at the ends of epigraphs, or in figure captions.

Wherever possible, place note callouts at the end of a sentence, or at least at the end of a clause.

Each table has its own set of notes numbered separately from the article’s list of notes. See the journal’s style sheet for guidance on the format used for callouts (e.g., lowercase letters, numerals, or symbols). See also CMS 3.80.

**NUMBERS. See also DATES AND TIMES**

Cardinal and ordinal whole numbers from one to ninety-nine (and such numbers followed by *hundred, thousand, million, billion*, etc.), most numbers at the beginning of a sentence, and common fractions are spelled out. Common fractions are hyphenated as well. See CMS, chap. 9.

no fewer than six of the eight victims

One hundred eighty-seven people were put to death there during the twenty-third century BC.

attendance was about ninety thousand  
 at least two-thirds of the electorate  
 there were two million ballots cast  
 the population will top between 27.5 and 28 billion

Years as digits may start a sentence, although it may be better to reword.

1937 was marked, among other things, by the publication of the eleventh edition of Bartlett's  
*Familiar Quotations*.

or, better,

The year 1937 . . .

Numbers applicable to the same category, however, are treated alike in the same context.

no fewer than 6 of the 113 victims

Almost twice as many people voted Republican in the 115th precinct as in the 23rd.

Numbers that express decimal quantities, dollar amounts, and percentages are written as figures.

an average of 2.6 years

now estimated at 1.1 billion inhabitants

more than \$56, or 8 percent of the petty cash

a decline of \$0.30 per share

Inclusive page numbers are given as follows (per CMS 9.63):

1–2, 3–11, 74–75, 100–103, 104–9, 112–15, 414–532, 505–16, 600–612, 1499–1501

Roman numerals are used in the pagination of preliminary matter in books, in family names and the names of monarchs and other leaders in a succession, in the names of world wars, in legal instruments, and in the titles of certain sequels.

On page iii Bentsen sets out his agenda.

Neither John D. Rockefeller IV, Elizabeth II, nor John Paul II was born before World War I.

Yet Title XII was meant to rectify not only inequities but iniquities.

Most critics consider *The Godfather, Part II* a better movie than *Jaws 2*. [Follow the usage in the original work, per CMS 9.45.]

Arabic numerals are used for the parts of books.

In part 2, chapter 2, of volume 11 of the *Collected Works*, our assumptions are overturned.

## POSSESSIVES

The possessive of nouns ending with the letter *s* are formed by adding an apostrophe and an *s* (CMS 7.17).

Burns's poetry

Camus's novels

Descartes's philosophy

Euripides's plays

Jesus's name

## PUNCTUATION

### En and Em Dashes

See CMS 6.79–100. Use real en and em dashes to indicate en and em dashes in the manuscript.

115–36

post–Civil War era

The United States' hegemony—that is, its domination of other nations—is increasing.

Ali–Frazier bouts

Watson–Crick model

Russia–Finland border

### Ellipses. See also CAPITALIZATION (Quotations)

Three dots indicate an ellipsis within a sentence or fragment; a period plus three dots indicates an ellipsis between grammatically complete sentences, even when the end of the first sentence in the original source has been omitted. In general, ellipses are not used at the start of a quotation (whether it begins with a grammatically complete sentence or not) or at the end of a quotation (if it ends with a grammatically complete sentence), unless the ellipses serve a definite purpose. See CMS 12.59–69 for more detailed guidelines on the use of ellipses.

### Hyphens. See SPELLING AND HYPHENATION

### QUOTATIONS. See EXTRACTS

## SPELLING AND HYPHENATION

Follow the online *Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary* (<https://www.merriam-webster.com>) and *Webster's Third New International Dictionary* for spelling. If more than one spelling is provided in the dictionary, follow the first form given (e.g., *judgment*, not *judgement*; *focused*, not *focussed*).

For further guidance regarding the hyphenation of compound words, see CMS 7.96.

Common foreign terms are set in roman type. (Common foreign terms are defined as those with main entries and not classified as “foreign term” in *Webster’s*.) Non-English words and phrases that would be familiar to a particular author, narrator, or speaker do not necessarily require italics even if they might be unfamiliar to readers.

Prefixes are hyphenated before numerals and proper nouns. Otherwise, prefixes are generally not hyphenated before words; refer to *Webster’s* for guidance. Temporary compound adjectives are hyphenated before the noun to avoid ambiguity but are left open after the noun. Non-English phrases used as modifiers are open in any position, unless hyphenated in the original.

Put neologisms within quotation marks at first use.

When a word or phrase is not used functionally but is referred to as the word or phrase itself, it is italicized. This should be limited to metatextual or linguistic discussions of the terms (as in the first two examples) and should not be used for discussions of the underlying concepts (as in the third example). See CMS 7.66.

The word *hermeneutics* is the most overused term in recent monographs.

The term *lyricism* was misused in Smith’s book review.

In the twentieth century, socialism acquired many meanings.

**TABLES. See FIGURES AND TABLES and NOTES**

**TRANSLATIONS. See also the section on documentation below.**

### **Non-English Titles with English Translation**

When an original non-English title and its translation appear together in the text, both are styled as published titles (regardless of whether the translation has been published, contra CMS 11.11). The second-listed title is enclosed within parentheses. Both have title capitalization appropriate to the language.

I read *Mi nombre es Roberto* (*My Name Is Roberto*) in 1989.

I read *My Name Is Roberto* (*Mi nombre es Roberto*) in 1989.

Rubén Darío’s poem “Azul” (“Blue”) is one of my favorites.

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**URLs. See also the section on documentation below.**

Use complete URLs when they appear in articles (notes, references, and main text). Include the protocol (*https://* or *http://*) and trailing slash (if it is part of the URL). DOIs appearing in notes and reference lists are presented as complete URLs (see the first example below for format). See CMS 13.9 for advice on shortening excessively long URLs.

<https://doi.org/10.1215/00982601-9467191>

<https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2021/us/covid-cases.html>

<https://georgianpapers.com/research-funding/transcription/>

## DOCUMENTATION: AUTHOR-DATE CITATIONS

This journal uses **author-date citations in the text** with a corresponding reference list of works cited at the end of the article.

Notes may also include material that cannot be conveniently presented in the text, such as discursive adjuncts and additional sources of information. Any material necessary for understanding the argument set forth in the article should appear in the text.

The notations f. (ff.), *ibid.*, *op. cit.*, and *loc. cit.* are not used, nor are *eadem*, *idem*, *infra*, *passim*, and *supra*. Commonly used abbreviations include *cf.*, *ed.* (*eds.*), *e.g.*, *esp.*, *et al.*, *etc.*, *fig.* (*figs.*), *fol.* (*fols.*), *i.e.*, *n.* (*nn.*), *p.* (*pp.*), *pt.* (*pts.*), *ser.*, *trans.*, *vol.* (*vols.*). Latin abbreviations are not italicized. Note that in *et al.*, *et* is a whole word (meaning “and”) and therefore is not followed by a period. In references to poetry, where the abbreviation “l.” or “ll.” might be mistaken for a numeral, the word “line” or “lines” is spelled out.

The reference list at the end of the article contains only works cited. References are arranged alphabetically by author, then chronologically in ascending order. For multiple references by the same author, the author’s name is repeated; 3-em dashes are not used. In titles of works, serial commas are added, ampersands are spelled out, and numbers are spelled out. URLs, including for DOIs, use “https://” to ensure that links work online (CMS 13.6). For additional guidelines concerning the treatment of titles, see CAPITALIZATION in the Duke University Press Journals Style Guide.

**Note: Following the new guidance in *The Chicago Manual*, 18th ed., places of publication are not included (list only the publisher) and page ranges aren’t included for book chapters.**

### Sample Reference List Items

#### BOOK

- Langford, Gerald. 1971. *Faulkner’s Revision of “Absalom, Absalom!”: A Collation of the Manuscript and the Published Book*. University of Texas Press. [A book title within a book title is quoted and italicized (CMS 13.96). A main title ending in an exclamation point or a question mark is followed by a colon only if the question mark or exclamation point appears within quotation marks (CMS 13.98).]
- Smith, John. 2011. *All Tongue-Tied and Nowhere to Go; or, How to Save Face When They Put You on the Spot*. Slippery Slopes. [Treatment of double titles, contra the preferred form in CMS 8.169]

#### E-BOOK

- Begley, Adam. 2014. *Updike*. Harper. Kindle. [CMS 14.58]
- Doubtfire, Brenda. 2016. *Yeah, Right: Skepticism in the Fake News Era*. Says Who. iBooks.

#### CHAPTER

Dollimore, Jonathan. 1985. "Transgression and Surveillance in *Measure for Measure*." In *Political Shakespeare: New Essays in Cultural Materialism*, edited by Jonathan Dollimore and Alan Sinfield. Cornell University Press.

Weinstein, Donald. 1989. "*The Art of Dying Well* and Popular Piety in the Preaching and Thought of Girolamo Savonarola." In Tetel et al. 1989. [A shortened form is used for chapters from collections that are also included in the reference list.]

#### PREFATORY MATTER

Brown, Marshall. 1995. Preface to *The Uses of Literary History*, edited by Marshall Brown. Duke University Press.

#### EDITED WORK

Navarre, Marguerite de. 1967. *L'heptaméron*. Edited by Michel François. Garnier.

Tetel, Marcel, Ronald G. Witt, and Rona Goffen, eds. 1989. *Life and Death in Fifteenth-Century Florence*. Duke University Press.

#### REPRINT

Williams, Theodore. (1905) 1974. *The Art of Porcelain During the Late Ming Dynasty*. Grove. [For reprint editions, the date of first publication may be supplied parenthetically, followed by the date of the reprint (CMS 14.16). Both dates appear in the corresponding citation.]

#### TRANSLATION

Valéry, Paul. 1958. *The Art of Poetry*. Translated by Denise Folliot. Pantheon.

#### FOREIGN-LANGUAGE WORK CITED IN ENGLISH

Ayzland, Reuven. 1954. *From Our Springtime* (in Yiddish). Inzl.

Dachuan, Sun. 1991. *Jiujiu jiu yici* (*One Last Cup of Wine*). Zhang Laoshi Chubanshe. [This form is recommended for works in languages relatively unfamiliar to the journal's expected readership. The translated title uses italics and headline capitalization (contra CMS 11.8)—in other words, it is treated as if it named a published translation even if it does not.]

#### MULTIVOLUME WORK

Foucault, Michel. 1990. *An Introduction*. Vol. 1 of *The History of Sexuality*. Translated by Robert Hurley. 3 vols. Penguin.

Hooker, Joseph. 1977–82. *Of the Laws of Ecclesiastical Polity*. Edited by Georges Edelen, W. Speed Hill, P. G. Stanwood, and John E. Booty. 4 vols. Belknap Press of Harvard University Press. [If there are six editors or fewer, all are listed by name; if more than six, the first is listed by name, followed by "et al." (CMS 13.78).]

#### MULTIAUTHOR WORK



[If there are six authors or fewer, all are listed by name; if more than six, the first is listed by name, followed by “et al.” (CMS 13.78).]

[Two to six authors]

Dewey, Alfred, John Cheatham, and Elias Howe. 2003. *Principles of Commerce During the Early Industrial Revolution*. Steamer.

Gustafson, Albert K., Jonas Edwards, Ezra Best, and Nathan Wise. 1985. *If I Were a Rich Man: Comparative Studies of Urban and Rural Poverty*. Fore and Aft.

[Seven or more authors]

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UNDATED WORK

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[CMS 13.6: "Book and journal publishers may retain URLs in citations of sources that would be difficult to locate without one but URLs are not required in citations of journal articles, books, and other formally published sources that would be easy to find online from a title and other basic details alone."]

#### REVIEW

Jameson, Fredric. 1991. "The Historian as Body-Snatcher." Review of *Learning to Curse: Essays in Early Modern Culture*, by Stephen J. Greenblatt. *Times Literary Supplement*, January 18, 7. [Page numbers are not needed in citations of or references to newspapers (CMS 14.89) but may be included in citations of or references to supplements and other special sections, which are treated as magazines (CMS 14.95).]

#### SPECIAL ISSUE, and ARTICLE IN SPECIAL ISSUE

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#### MAGAZINE ARTICLE

Franzen, Jonathan. 2003. "The Listener." *New Yorker*, October 6, 84–99.

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#### NEWSPAPER ARTICLE, ONLINE

Associated Press. 2003. "Jackson Arrested at Yale after Protest Backing Strike." *Washington Post*, September 2. <https://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/articles/A12012-2003Sep1.html>.

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*Cinéma*. 1968. "Loin du Vietnam." January.

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Jones, Jennifer M. 1991. “‘The Taste for Fashion and Frivolity’: Gender, Clothing, and the Commercial Culture of the Old Regime.” PhD diss., Princeton University.

#### PAPER OR PRESENTATION

Poovey, Mary. 1996. “Between Political Arithmetic and Political Economy.” Paper presented at the conference “Regimes of Description,” Stanford University, Stanford, CA, January 12.

#### PERSONAL COMMUNICATION OR INTERVIEW

Noah Fence (pers. comm., April 1, 2014) speculated on the pitfalls of having a play on words for a name. [References to such communications as emails or private messages shared on social media often can be run in to the text, without need of note or reference (CMS 14.111).]

24. Jacques Petits Fours (provost, Upper Midwestern University), interview by author, Ames, IA, February 20, 1995. [Interviews or other personal communications in which more information than the date is pertinent may appear in a note (CMS 14.111).]

#### REPORTS AND THE LIKE

[Reports and other freestanding publications can usually be treated as books (CMS 14.117).]

International Atomic Energy Agency. n.d. *Nuclear Safety, Security, and Safeguards in Ukraine, February 2022–February 2023*. <https://www.iaea.org/sites/default/files/23/02/nuclear-safety-security-and-safeguards-in-ukraine-feb-2023.pdf>.

Starbucks. 2022. *Starbucks Fiscal 2021 Annual Report*. <https://investor.starbucks.com/financial-data/annual-reports/>.

#### SOCIAL MEDIA CONTENT

[Citations of social media content may contain such elements as the author of the post; the title, or the text, of the post; the type of post (e.g., the service and/or a brief description); the date; and a URL. Contra CMS 14.106, such citations have corresponding references.]

*The Chicago Manual of Style*. 2015. “Is the world ready for singular they? We thought so back in 1993.” Facebook, April 17.

<https://www.facebook.com/ChicagoManual/posts/10152906193679151>.

O’Brien, Conan (@ConanOBrien). 2015. “In honor of Earth Day, I’m recycling my tweets.”

Twitter, April 22. <https://twitter.com/ConanOBrien/status/590940792967016448>. [CMS 14.106: “Note that Twitter content posted before the company’s 2023 rebranding as X need not be updated to refer to the new name (though that information may be added parenthetically).”]

Souza, Pete (@petesouza). 2016. “President Obama bids farewell to President Xi of China at the conclusion of the Nuclear Security Summit.” Instagram photo, April 1.

<https://www.instagram.com/p/BDrmfXTtNCt>.

#### WEBSITES (OTHER THAN ONLINE PUBLICATIONS)

[Include as much of the following information as possible: author of the content, title of the page (if there is one), title or owner of the site, URL, and date of publication or last modified date. The titles of websites and blogs generally use title case. Titles of publication-like websites should be italic (CMS 14.103). Online sources that resemble periodicals or formally published works (e.g., reports, white papers, etc.) should be included in the reference list and follow the format for those types of materials. Brief mention of a website in general may appear in running text or notes only.]

Gaspar, Maria, and James Gordon Williams. 2023. "Force of Things: In Conversation with Artist Maria Gaspar and Live Performance by James Gordon Williams." El Museo del Barrio, June 21. <https://www.elmuseo.org/event/in-conversation-with-artist-maria-gaspar/>.  
Poetry Foundation. n.d. "Robert Frost." <https://www.poetryfoundation.org/poets/robert-frost>.  
[Access dates are not required for sources that are not likely to change without notice (see CMS 13.15).]

### Author-Date Citations

This system uses in-text citations—usually enclosed in parentheses and comprising the author's surname (with first initial if ambiguous), the date, and the pages cited—and a reference list at the end of the article contains the complete bibliographic information of the works cited. See the sample references immediately above. For multiple references by the same author, the author's name is repeated; 3-em dashes are not used. Note that in the author-date system, works published in the same year by the same author must be labeled "a," "b," and so on for clarity.

The witnesses had been, one observer surmised, tampered with (Northrup 1957: 3). [The date and page number are separated by a colon, not a comma (contra CMS 13.106).]

As Sylvia Molloy (1991: 43) observes, "The previous letter, marked by subservience, waived Manzano's rights to the text by 'giving' it to del Monte; the second letter, marked instead by resistance, has Manzano keep the text for himself." [The date and page number appear immediately after the author, not at the end of the sentence, if he or she is named in the sentence (CMS 13.119).]

25. Wert (1984: 115–17) insists that his predecessors' conclusions were the merest speculation (see M. McLain 1981; P. McLain 1981). [No note should consist solely of an author-date citation, but discursive notes may contain author-date citations.]

If more than one work by the same author is cited, the author's name is not repeated.

(Wilson 1963, 1974)  
(Miller 1978: 267; 1994)

For works by more than two authors, only the surname of the first author is used, followed by et al.

*not* (Cobb, Hornsby, and Smith 1982) *but* (Cobb et al. 1982)

If there is no author, use the shortened title or publication title in the author position in the reference.

(*New Yorker* 1974)

If there is no date, n.d. is used.

(McGarry, n.d.)

If the work is meant, rather than the author, the parentheses are omitted.

Medwick 1924 remains the standard reference.

If the citation is to a reprint edition, the original date of publication should be cited first, in brackets within a parenthetical citation and in parentheses not within a parenthetical citation (e.g., in a note). See CMS 14.16.

(Williams [1905] 1974: 41)

1. For a more in-depth discussion of this point, see Williams (1905) 1974.

To refer again to the most recently cited source, a page number is used.

The sperm whale, Beale (1839: 46) concluded in *The Natural History of the Sperm Whale*, is “remarkably timid, and is readily alarmed by the approach of a whale boat.” Beale noted that “it is difficult to conceive any object in nature calculated to cause alarm to this leviathan” (46).

When one volume of a multivolume work is cited, the volume number is indicated after the date.

(Koufax 1973, 1:223)

To cite an unnumbered note, the abbreviation n or nn follows the page number without an intervening space. With numbered notes, the note number or numbers follow the abbreviation without intervening period or space (CMS 14.56).

(Javitch 2010: 385n; Adams 2009: 5n10, 8nn20–21)

Personal communications, such as telephone conversations, email messages, and nonarchived letters, are identified as “pers. comm.” and dated in the text but are not included in the reference list.

Wilson (pers. comm., March 13, 2007) proved the hypothesis false.

When “emphasis added,” “my translation,” and the like are used, they come after a quotation:

According to Brodsky (1990: 257), “Marcus Aurelius was one of the *greatest* men who ever lived” (emphasis added). [Emphasis in quoted material is assumed to match the original source unless otherwise stated; omit notes such as “original emphasis.”]

When an author’s name doesn’t appear in the text, it’s best to have the citation before the final mark of punctuation:

Many scholars and poets believe that Marcus Aurelius was one of the greatest men in history (see, e.g., Brodsky 1990: 257; Patterson 1996: 112).

If the journal follows the author-date system, make sure to differentiate between authors and works. For example: “In Smith 1980, there is . . .” or “Smith (1980) argues that there is . . .”

### Citing Works Whose Authors Have Changed Names

Sometimes, a cited author’s affirmed name differs from the name on the work cited. In these cases, use the author’s affirmed name when discussing their published work in the text of an article or book. We also recommend using the affirmed name in citations:

**Text/note discussion** As {Affirmed name} wrote, “Quote from cited author.”

**Bibliographical citation** {Affirmed name: Last, First}. 1995. *Title: Subtitle*. Duke University Press.

However, if it is known that a cited author would like citations to their work to use the name on the publication, use the published name in the citation instead:

**Text/note discussion** As {Affirmed name} wrote, “Quote from cited author.”

**Bibliographical citation** {Name on publication: Last, First}. 1995. *Title: Subtitle*. Duke University Press.

In cases where the author deems it appropriate to include both names in a reference list item, we recommend listing the affirmed name first, followed in brackets by the name under which the work was originally published:

{Affirmed name: Last, First} [Name on publication]. 1995. *Title: Subtitle*. Duke University Press.