

Capella University

Citing Electronic Articles (APA 6th Edition)*

Articles from a print journal look like this.

Light, M.A., & Light, I. H. (2008). The geographic expansion of Mexican immigration in the United States and its implications for local law enforcement. *Law Enforcement Executive Forum Journal*, 8(1), 73-82.

Disclaimers: Your Instructor always has the last word and can override any of the rules below.

Courseroom references = double-spaced.
Dissertations references = single-spaced.

**ELECTRONIC ARTICLE?
START HERE!**

Do you have a DOI number?

Yes.

Use DOI number as the retrieval statement.

Note: You can find many DOI numbers at www.CrossRef.org/guestquery

Herbst-Damm, K.L., & Kulik, J. A. (2005). Volunteer support, marital status, and the survival times of terminally ill patients. *Health Psychology*, 24, 225-229. doi:10.1037/0278-6133.24.2.225

RefWorks pulls DOI numbers automatically! See the Library's RefWorks page for more information.

No.

Where did you retrieve this article?

From a Library database

Use the name of the database as the retrieval statement (e.g. PsycINFO, ABI/INFORM).

Ganster, D. C., Schaubroeck, J., Sime, W.E., & Mayes, B. T. (1991). The nomological validity of the Type A personality among employed adults. *Journal of Applied Psychology*, 76, 143-168. Retrieved from PsycINFO database.

From the free Web (Google, Yahoo, etc.)

Use web address as the retrieval statement.

Warning! Few scholarly articles are available on the free Web.

Sillick, T.J., & Schutte, N. S. (2006). Emotional intelligence and self-esteem mediate between perceived early parental love and adult happiness. *E-Journal of Applied Psychology*, 2(2), 38-48. Retrieved from <http://ojs.lib.swin.edu.au/index.php/ejap>

*These are common examples. For special cases (dissertations, etc.) see P.2 of this guide and Ch. 7 of your APA manual, 6th ed.

More Notes & Examples:

Q: What is a DOI Number?

A: See APA Manual, 6.31

Q: What if the article is from outside the library and behind a firewall? (Company or Military)

A: Cite the homepage that is available on the free web.

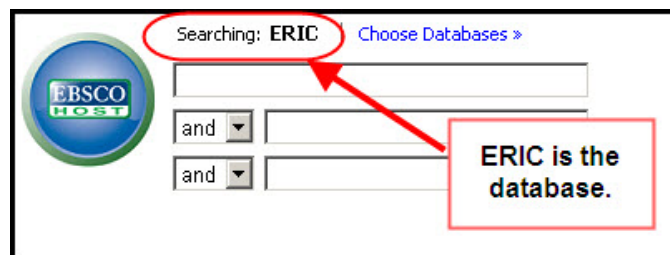
Q: Where do I find the database name?

A: The database name is title that you click to open up the search screen in the library.

Databases Used in Other Schools	Human Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• SocIndex• International Security & Counter Terrorism Reference Center• Sage Criminology• Science Direct
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These are the individual database names.

This is **not the same** as the company name (Ebscohost, ProQuest, Sage). It is also **not enough information** to simply type “retrieved from Capella Library.” The database’s name should be listed next to the company name.



Q: How do I cite a dissertation from the library?

McNiel, D. S. (2006). *Meaning through narrative: A personal narrative discussing growing up with an alcoholic mother*. Retrieved from ProQuest Dissertations and Theses database. (AAT 1434728)

Q: How do I cite a library e-book?

Brady, M. (2002). *Sodium from salt: Uses, functions and research needs*. [e-book]. London: Emerald Group. Retrieved from Netlibrary database.