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For example: One recent report (Carson 2012) finds evidence that...

Or: ...yielded varying results (Jones 2010; Marks and Smith 2004a,b).

For publications with three or more authors, use the first author's surname followed by "et al." in the text citation.

For example: ...by limit equilibrium analysis (Merriweather et al. 2014).

When the researcher is part of the sentence, the last name does not need to be repeated.

For example: Carson (2006) finds evidence that...

REFERENCES LISTS

The list of references cited should appear at the end of a journal article or proceedings paper and as the last item in each book chapter. (Because a book chapter may now be accessed or downloaded digitally, it is more convenient for readers if the references are included in the chapter. Otherwise, readers must locate and download the separate references file.)

References begin with the last names of the first author, then all the authors, then the year of publication in parentheses. References lists are alphabetized by the last name of the first author.

For example: Li, S., Tang, H., Zhang, X., Sun, W., and Bold, R. (2014). "Fatigue Behavior of Precorrosion Deformed Bars." *J. Mater. Civ. Eng.*, 26(9), 06014020.

When the author is an organization, firm, or government agency, often the entity's abbreviated name is listed, followed by the spelled out version, and then the year of publication.

For example: AASHTO (American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials). (2014). *AASHTO LRFD Bridge Design Specifications, Customary U.S. Units*, 7th Edition. AASHTO, Washington, D.C.

References by the same author(s) published in the same year are designated with lowercase letters: 2004a, 2004b.

Every reference must have a text citation and every text citation must have a corresponding reference. For books that will be copyedited, unmatched references will be queried or deleted by the copyeditor.

SAMPLE REFERENCES

Journal References

Use the official abbreviation for the journal. Include year, volume, issue, and page numbers. Use the [Woodward Library](#) of the University of British Columbia as a primary resource for journal title abbreviations. As a secondary resource, the [List of Title Word Abbreviations](#) (LTWA) at the International Standard Serial Number (ISSN) website is acceptable.

Stahl, D. C., Wolfe, R. W., and Begel, M. (2004). "Improved analysis of timber rivet connections." *J. Struct. Eng.*, 130(8), 1272–1279.

When the journal uses content identifiers, use those instead of page numbers:

Zhou, H., and Attard, T. (2014). "Simplified Anisotropic Plasticity Model for Analyzing the Postyield Behavior of Cold-Formed Sheet-Metal Shear Panel Structures." *J. Struct. Eng.*, 10.1061/(ASCE)ST.1943-541X.0001152, 04014185.

Conference Proceedings and Symposiums

Include the publisher of the proceedings **and** that entity's location—city and state or city and country. Only include the conference sponsor if it is part of the title of a proceedings. If there is no "publisher," then the name and location of the conference sponsor are required.

Garrett, D. L. (2003). "Coupled analysis of floating production systems." *Proc., Int. Symp. on Deep Mooring Systems*, ASCE, Reston, VA, 152–167.

Books

Include author, book title, publisher, the publisher's location, and chapter title and inclusive page numbers (if a whole book is used, or pages here and there throughout, page numbers need not be given). If no author is listed, alphabetize the entry by book title.

ASCE (American Society of Civil Engineers). (2014). *Minimum Design Loads for Buildings and Other Structures*, Standard ASCE/SEI 7-10. Third printing. ASCE, Reston, VA.

Committee on Curtain Wall Systems. (2014). *Curtain Wall Systems: A Primer*, ASCE Manuals and Reports on Engineering Practice No. 126. Memari, Ali M., ed. ASCE, Reston, VA.

Singh, Vijay P. (2014). *Entropy Theory in Hydraulic Engineering: An Introduction*. ASCE Press. ASCE, Reston, VA.

Book Chapters

Dhillon, Gurpreet S., Surinder Kaur, Ajila C.M., and Surampalli, Rao Y. (2013). "Greenhouse Gas Contribution on Climate Change." Chapter 3 in *Climate Change Modeling, Mitigation, and Adaptation*, Rao Y. Surampalli, Tian C. Zhang, C. S. P. Ojha, B. Gurjar, R. D. Tyagi, and S. M. Kao, eds. ASCE, Reston, VA, 26–61.

Unpublished Material

Unpublished material is not included in the references but may be cited in the text as follows:

(John Smith, personal communication, May 16, 1983).

(J. Smith, unpublished internal report, February 2003).

In Press Articles

Articles that are in press (i.e., those that have been accepted but have not yet been published) may be included in the references as follows:

Dasgupta, G. (in press). "Stiffness matrix from isoparametric closed form shape functions using exact integration." *J. Aerosp. Eng.*

In press articles should be updated to include the actual publication information whenever possible.

Web Pages

Include author, year of publication or last revision, title of "page," title of the complete work, Web address enclosed within angle brackets, and date material downloaded.

Burka, L. P. (1993). "A hypertext history of multi-user dimensions." *MUD history*, <<http://www.ccs.neu.edu>> (Dec. 5, 2013).

CD-ROM

Include authors, copyright date, titles, medium, producer/publisher and its location, and section, chapter, and page numbers if available.

Liggett, J. A., and Caughey, D. A. (1998). "Fluid statics." *Fluid mechanics* (CD-ROM), ASCE, Reston, VA, Section 3.1, Chapter 2, 167–177.

Theses and Dissertations

Include author, copyright date, title, and the name and location of the institution where the research was conducted. Note that some institutions use specific terminology; for example, "doctoral dissertation" rather than "Ph.D. thesis".

Sotiropoulos, S. N. (1991). "Statis response of bridge superstructures made of fiber reinforced plastic." M.S. thesis, West Virginia Univ., Morgantown, WV.