

MURPHY BI-WEEKLY WRITING TIP

Quick In-Text Citation Tip (APA Style)

Dear Murphy Students:

With mid-term papers coming up, this week's tip will be a quick reminder about in-text citations for APA. Next week, we will look at MLA.

In-Text Citations

In-text citations are how you let readers know that information in a sentence is from an outside source (e.g., essay, article, book, website).

These are different from *References*, *Works Cited* lists, and *Bibliographies*, which are *at the end of your paper* and which tell us all the necessary information for how to find that source. However, **all papers need both!**

APA Style

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Author's last name

Year published

Page number

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*If you are paraphrasing or summarizing, you **don't** need to include page numbers – but you **do** need to include **author's last name** and **year of publication**:*

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Don't forget the punctuation!

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