UCD School of History

Citation Style for UCD History Essays (August 2022)

The School of History follows the Chicago system of referencing. It is essential that you familiarise yourself with the Chicago style as referencing underpins academic analysis and argument. The Chicago style uses footnotes. To insert a footnote in Microsoft Word, click 'References', and 'Insert Footnote'.[1] First year modules, particularly 'Creating History', will devote time to teaching and learning referencing. Below are examples of how you should reference books, journal articles, book chapters in edited books, newspaper articles, dissertations, archival sources, and website content. A good way of quickly obtaining the necessary citation is to use Google Scholar. If you insert the book title and author, for example, and then click Cite, you will be given the citation in different styles. Copy and paste the Chicago version into your essay, although make sure the reference is done according to the below guidelines. If you have two references for one sentence, insert one footnote (not two) and provide both references in the footnote, separating them with a semi-colon. Insert footnotes after full stops (not before).

Why is referencing important?

· It shows the depth and breadth of your reading.
· It demonstrates how your work relates to others who have written on the same subject.
· It reduces the possibility of plagiarism as you will have declared all your sources of information and ideas.
· It allows your ideas to stand out clearly within the text.
· It enables readers of your work to locate the original information source and evidence that you are using to support your argument.

Required referencing style

Book

Jennifer Keating, *On Arid Ground: Political Ecologies of Empire in Russian Central Asia* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2022), 121.[2]

Journal Article

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[1] For more guidelines on inserting footnotes, see this link.
[2] The number 121 refers to the page number from the book that was referenced. The second time you reference the same book in an essay, you can provide a shortened citation, such as Keating, *On Arid Ground*, 128.

Alice Mauger, "A great race of drinkers? Irish interpretations of alcoholism and drinking stereotypes, 1945–1975," *Medical History* 65[3], no. 1 (2021): 73.[4]

If the article has not yet come out in a journal but is available online, please cite it as follows:

Alice Mauger, "Didactic' or 'Obscene'?: Personal Accounts of Alcoholism in Contemporary Irish Writing," *Cultural and Social History*. Advance online publication (2021), https://doi.org/10.1080/14780038.2021.2016850.

Book Chapter in Edited Book

Elva Johnston, ""By Blood and by Tradition": Race and Empire in Eoin MacNeill's Interpretation of Early Ireland," in *Eoin MacNeill: The Pen and the Sword*, ed.[5] Conor Mulvagh and Emer Purcell (Cork: Cork University Press, 2022), 71.[6]

E-Book

For e-books consulted online without any fixed page numbers, cite a section title, a chapter in the notes, or Kindle location number, and provide a URL or DOI.

Catherine Cox and Hilary Marland, *Disorder Contained: Mental Breakdown and the Modern Prison in England and Ireland, 1840-1900* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2022), chapter 2 - The Making of the Modern Prison System, https://doi.org/10.1017/9781108993586.002.

Newspaper Article

If no author is identified, begin the citation with the article title. Page numbers, if any, can be cited in a note. If you consulted the article online, include a URL or the name of the database.

Diarmaid Ferriter, "Michael Collins and the knotty politics of commemoration," *Irish Times*, August 19, 2022, 10.

Paul Rouse, "When Tarzan was a star of the Tailteann Games," *Irish Examiner*, July 7 2022, https://www.irishexaminer.com/opinion/columnists/arid-40912616.html.

Thesis/Dissertation

Matthew J. O'Brien, "Irishness in Great Britain and the United States: Transatlantic and Cross-Channel Migration Networks and Irish Ethnicity, 1920-90" (PhD diss., University of Wisconsin-Madigan, 2001), 442-3.

Archival source

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[3] This refers to the volume number.

[4] In the footnote, cite the page number(s) where you found the information you refer to in the essay. In the bibliography, include the page range for the whole article. If you reference the same article again in your essay, you can provide a shorter reference, i.e., Mauger, "A great race of drinkers?," 75.

[5] For your information, the term 'ed.' means 'edited'.

[6] In the footnote, cite the page number(s) where you found the information you refer to in the essay. In the bibliography, include the page range for the whole chapter. If you reference the same chapter again in your essay, you can provide a shorter reference, i.e., Johnston, "By Blood and by Tradition," 72.

Title or description of item, date (day, month, year), Reference code, Repository name and location. URL if applicable.

'Chilean and Uruguayan Refugees', letter from the Department of Foreign Affairs to the Irish Ambassador in Buenos Aires, 18 October 1974, DFA 2001/14/30, National Archives of Ireland.[7]

Website content

Author name, "Title of Web Page," Website name or Publishing organization, Publication date or last modified date, year. Access date if no other date available. URL.

Irial Glynn, "Life Histories and Social Change Archive," HistoryHub, access date: 11 Aug. 2022, http://historyhub.ie/life-histories-and-social-change-archive.

Bibliography

The references should be written alphabetically, starting with the surname. You can include readings that you may not have referenced but that were important in helping you write the paper.

Additional Resources

In addition to this guide, the following resources will help you learn more about the Chicago system of referencing:

1) The style guide: Notes and Bibliography Style (chicagomanualofstyle.org)

2) UCD Library's excellent resources: Introduction - Chicago Style Guide 17th Edition - LibGuides at UCD Library and Guide68.pdf (ucd.ie)

It is important that you familiarize yourselves with the procedures of submission of coursework, and the penalties which are imposed for late submission. The School follows UCD policies in this regard.

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[7] Certain courses may have more specific instructions for referencing primary sources depending on the time period and the source.