

3.987 - Human Origins and Evolution

Bibliographic referencing and citations

Several slightly different styles are used for bibliographic referencing and citation in the disciplines of Anthropology and Archaeology. One of the most widely used styles is that followed by the journal *American Anthropologist*. You should use it for your written work in this course. Sample references for journal articles, books and papers in books are shown below. All types of references are listed alphabetically in one list regardless of the source in book, journal, etc. "References Cited" sections are normally single-spaced.

(examples for journals)

- Brown, F., J. Harris, R. Leakey and A. Walker
1985 Early *Homo erectus* Skeleton from West Lake Turkana, Kenya. *Nature* 316:788-792.
- Isaac, G. Ll.
1978 The Food-Sharing Behavior of Protohuman Hominids. *Scientific American* 238(4):90-109.
- Mann, A. and E. Trinkaus
1973 Neandertal and Neandertal-like Fossils from the Upper Pleistocene. *Yearbook of Physical Anthropology* 17:169-193.

(examples for books)

- Reader, J.
1981 *Missing Links: the Hunt for Earliest Man*. London: William Collins Sons and Co.
- Wolpoff, M.H.
1980 *Paleoanthropology*. New York: Knopf.

(examples for papers in books)

- Leakey, M.D.
1974 Cultural Patterns in the Olduvai Sequence. *In After the Australopithecines*. K.W. Butzer and G. Ll. Isaac, eds. Pp. 477-493. The Hague: Mouton.
- Zihlman, A.
1981 Women as Shapers of the Human Adaptation. *In Woman the Gatherer*. F. Dahlberg, ed. Pp. 75-120. New Haven, CT: Yale University Press.

In most palaeoanthropological writing footnotes are not used for citations. Instead the author's last name and the date of the publication are placed in parentheses at the end of the sentence (but within it), to acknowledge the source of the idea or information. Similarly, the source for a quotation is given in parenthesis at the end of the quote. The citation includes the author's name, date and page number. The following citations are based on the references above.

standard citation

(Isaac 1978).
(Mann and Trinkaus 1973).
(Brown *et al.* 1985).

citation for a quote

(Isaac 1978:95).
(Mann and Trinkaus 1973:192).
(Brown *et al.* 1985:790).