CJAM Style Guide & Tutorial Sheet (APA 7th Edition)

The Canadian Journal for the Academic Mind follows the style guidelines set out in the American Psychological Association (APA), 7th Edition, for the use of grammar; punctuation; spelling, distinctive treatment of words, and compounds; names, terms, and titles of works; numbers; abbreviations, and; quotations and dialogue. Papers must be submitted in 12pt, double spaced (2.0), Times New Roman font.

Please adhere to the provided formatting guidelines to ensure consistency and ease of review. Submissions that do not comply with the template will be returned to authors for proper formatting before review.

For more detailed guidelines, citation styles, and submission instructions, please refer to the Journal's Author Guidelines available on the website.

Note: As of Fall 2025, the Canadian Journal for the Academic Mind ceased using Chicago Manual of Style, 17th Edition, and now uses APA 7th Edition as our standard citation and referencing style. This reflects our commitment to clarity, accessibility, and interdisciplinary scholarship.

Basic Principles of APA

- **Author-date system**: In-text citations include the author's last name and year of publication (e.g., Ahmed, 2020).
- **Reference list**: A full list of all cited works appears at the end, titled *References* (not *Bibliography* or *Works Cited*).
- No footnotes for citations: Use footnotes only for brief explanatory notes, not references.

General Formatting

- Font: Use 12 pt Times New Roman
- Spacing: Double-space all content, including block quotes and the reference list.
- Margins: 1 inch on all sides.
- **Indentation**: First line of each paragraph indented 0.5 inches. Paragraphs that come right after a heading or subheading should not be indented.

In-Text Citations (Examples)

Type of Citation	Format	Example
Paraphrase	(Author, Year)	(Abdo, 2021)
Direct Quote	(Author, Year, p. X)	(MacCarthy, 2023, p. 45)
2 Authors	(Author1 & Author2, Year)	(Puar & Haritaworn, 2007)
3+ Authors	(FirstAuthor et al., Year)	(Smith et al., 2019)
Organization	(Organization, Year)	(United Nations, 2022)
No Author	("Title," Year)	("Revolutionary Pedagogy," 2023)

Reference List (Examples)

Books

Abdo, N. (2014). *Captive revolution: Palestinian women's anti-colonial struggle within the Israeli prison system.* Pluto Press.

Journal Articles

Puar, J. K., & Haritaworn, J. (2007). Beyond homonationalism: Performing race, gender, nation. *Social Text*, 25(3), 37–65. https://doi.org/10.1215/01642472-2007-005

Chapters in Edited Volumes

Hall, S. (1996). The West and the rest: Discourse and power. In S. Hall & B. Gieben (Eds.), *Formations of modernity* (pp. 275–331). Open University Press.

Web Sources

Jewish Voice for Peace. (2024, May 8). *Zionism is not Judaism*. https://www.jewishvoiceforpeace.org/zionism-not-judaism

Tips for Writing with APA Style

- Avoid first person unless appropriate for reflective or positional writing.
- Use inclusive, bias-free language (e.g., "they" as singular pronoun).
- Italicize titles of books, journals, and films.
- Capitalize only the first word of titles and subtitles in references (sentence case).

Submissions to CJAM

Please ensure that:

- All citations and references follow APA 7th edition.
- In-text references and reference list entries match exactly.
- Your submission includes a final reference list even for web content or media.