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APA web site <http://www.apastyle.org/elecref.html>

APA Style from *Online! A Reference Guide to Using Internet Resources* by Andrew Harnack and Eugene Kleppinger, <http://www.bedfordstmartins.com/online/cite6.html>

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Journal Article Found in Print (Note: Formats for journal, magazine, and newspaper articles differ. See the manuals listed above for guidance.)

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Author, A. A. (Date of Publication). Title of article. *Title of Journal, Volume, Pages.*

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Woodford, F. P. (1967). Sounder thinking through clearer writing. *Science, 156, 743-745.*

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Author, A. A. (Date of Publication). Title of article. *Title of Journal, Volume number (issue), Pages.* Retrieved from _____ database.

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Smyth, A. M., Parker, A. L., & Pease, D. L. (2002). A study of enjoyment of peas. *Journal of Abnormal Eating, 8(3), 12-15.* Retrieved from PsycARTICLES database.

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Harris, K., Melaas, K., Rodacker, E. (1999). The impact of women's studies courses on college students of the 1990s. *Sex Roles: A Journal of Research, 40, 225-229.* doi:10.1108/03090560710821161.

Web Document**Basic Format**

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American Association of University Women Public Policy and Government Relations Department. (2000, January). *Affirmative action fact sheet.* Retrieved May 3, 2000 from <http://www.aauw.org/1000/fspp.html>

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