

NOODLEBIB

APA Reference and MLA Works Cited Lists

Correctly citing sources can often be a difficult and confusing process,
but NoodleBib is here to help!

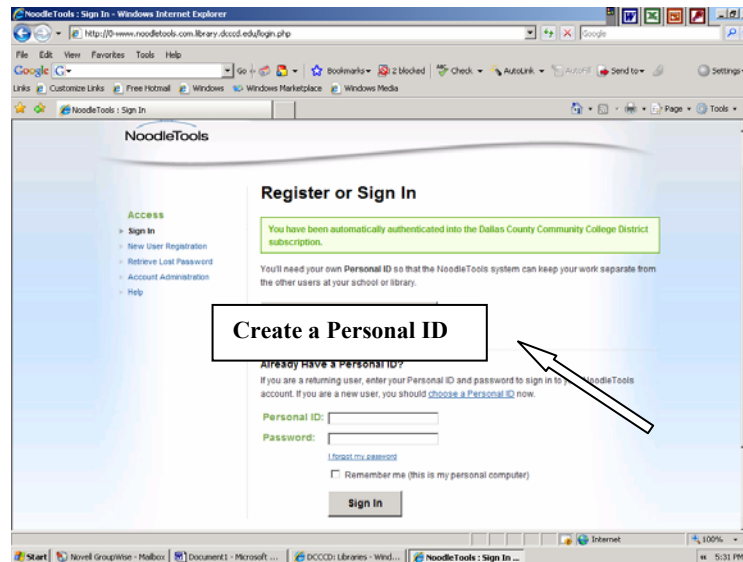
Use NoodleBib to create and edit an **MLA Works Cited** page or **APA Reference** page for research assignments. NoodleBib is based on the latest editions of the *MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers* and the *Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association*.

▶ GETTING TO NOODLEBIB ◀

Go to the DCCCD Library Home page at <http://www.dcccd.edu/Current+Students/Libraries/> and click on **NoodleBib**. This will take you to the NoodleBib Login page at <http://0-www.noodletools.com.library.dcccd.edu/login.php>.

▶ CREATING ACCOUNTS ◀

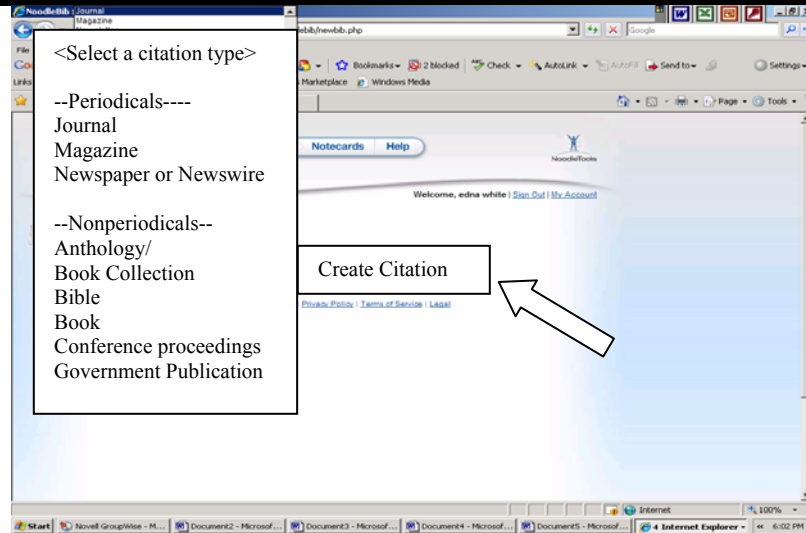
The first time you use NoodleBib, you will be asked to create a Personal ID for your account which you will use to create and store your lists.



Click on Create a Personal ID. You will be prompted to register and enter a Personal ID and password that you will use each time you log in to NoodleBib. *Don't forget your password!*

For each research assignment you will need to **Create a New List**. Don't choose MLA starter. Choose from either the MLA Advanced or the APA Advanced style choices. Check with your professor to decide which style you will need for your paper. Note: Once you make the decision between MLA and APA for your list, you won't be able to change your list to another style. After you name the list in the **Description** box, you can begin adding your citations.

► GENERATING CITATIONS ◀



1. Use the pull-down menu (click on the down triangle as shown above) in the middle of the page to select the citation type (such as journal, magazine or newspaper). Next, click the **Create Citation** button.
2. You will be guided through a series of questions designed to help you make correct decisions about your source.
3. When making a choice for the question **What is the publication medium of this source?**, keep the following in mind:
 - **Print** resources are items that you viewed in their original print form. Examples of print resources include materials found on the periodical shelves of a library.
 - **Online** resources are found by using databases, such as *EBSCO*, *SIRS*, and *CQ Researcher* or through Internet search engines like Google.
 - **Electronic media** resources are those located on CD-ROMS.
4. The **Basic Information** section has many entries, but you may not be able to fill in all of the blanks with the information contained in your sources. Be sure to use the helpful links on the right side for capitalization and abbreviation information and other helpful suggestions for creating the correct citation.
5. After you have finished filling in your information, make sure you click on **Check for Errors** at the bottom of the page. This will let you know if any information has been entered incorrectly. After the error check has been completed, click on **Generate Citation**.
6. When the citation has been generated you can enter more citations by using the **pull-down menu** (click on the down triangle).

**Need assistance entering your citations in NoodleBib?
Library staff are available to answer your questions.**

► EDITING CITATIONS ◀

Once you have created your citations, you may need to edit your list.

Choose the edit icon to the right of the citation

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Select **Edit** if you notice an error or need to make a change to your citation.



Select **Copy** if you have more than one list (e.g., you may be working on a Psychology paper and an Education paper) and you would like the citation to appear in both lists.



Select **Delete** if you no longer need the citation in your list.

► GENERATING YOUR CITATIONS LIST ◀



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-  **Print** Use the print option to save or review your work.
-  **Save As Word Doc** By choosing this option to save your list of sources in Microsoft Word, rather than printing it from the NoodleBib screen, your list of citations will be perfectly formatted. Choose **Export and Print** so your list will be saved in an RTF format with the correct margins and spacing for your research paper. Proof your page and save to your file.
-  **Share** Your professors will let you know if they would like you to share your list with them online. Sharing your list enables your professor to monitor your progress and make comments. Use this feature to check and see how your citation list will be formatted.
-  **Email** Use this feature to send your RTF document to the e-mail address that you provide so it can be opened in Microsoft Word.
-  **Analysis** Analyze your work to see if you have a variety of sources and if current enough to meet the requirements of your assignment.

Do you need to start another research paper? Just start another source list and begin the NoodleBib process all over again!

► NOODLEBIB TIPS ◀

- **Alphabetizing Entries** – NoodleBib will alphabetize your **work cited** or **reference** entries for you, and then realphabetize them as entries are changed, added, and deleted.
- **Back Button** – Do not use the internet browser’s “**Back**” button when using NoodleBib. (You may be taken out of your session accidentally.) Use the NoodleBib Back buttons or links.
- **Check for Errors Button** – The “**Check for Errors**” selection will highlight the errors, but not correct for typos, so users will need to proofread their work carefully and make any changes.
- **Citing *CQ Researcher*** – The online version of this publication can be confusing to cite. After speaking with MLA staff, NoodleBib recommends the following when citing *CQ Researcher* in NoodleBib: Choose “**magazine**” as the citation type from the drop-down menu, select “**online**” as the publication medium, and select “**an article.**” Choose “**periodical subscription,**” not “subscription database,” since this is an online magazine.
- **Creating Parenthetical (In-Text) References** – After you create a citation, a link for “**Parenthetical Reference**” will appear next to the citation. When you click the link, a pop-up window shows you how to create a parenthetical reference for this item.
- **Enter Citations at Your Convenience** – Your list is automatically saved as you create it. You can easily add or delete citations during different sessions. You can save several lists and each of these lists can be updated at any time.
- **Is it a Scholarly Journal or a Magazine?** – NoodleBib provides several explanatory links to help you determine which periodical you are citing.

Scholarly journals are periodicals (published at regular intervals) which contain original research, scholarly interpretations, and literary works of interest to academic readers. Submissions are peer reviewed which means that the scholar’s work is evaluated for publication by experts or researcher in the field.

Magazines are general-interest periodicals (published at regular intervals) with content that ranges from substantive to simple. Submissions are selected by editors in order to attract, inform and entertain readers

- **Punctuation and Formatting** – NoodleBib will add the correct punctuation and formatting, but users will need to provide the correct capitalization and abbreviations by following the notes and links on the NoodleBib forms.
- **Questions About Your Finished Citation?** – You have two choices: 1) Ask a librarian. 2) Click on the "Have a Question?" link beside the item you're needing help with. The company promises to answer your question within 24 hours. And sometimes much faster. Also don't forget. The NoodleTools web site has a User's Guide and a KnowledgeBase in addition to the NoodleBib tour.

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<http://library.dcccd.edu/screens/opacmenu.html>