

Ethical Citation

Ethical citation is the practice of making sure that when you use other people's work within your own work, you properly attribute credit. In college, it is expected that you will use the ideas of others to help you learn and grow as a writer and researcher. Practicing ethical citation allows you to use these ideas in a responsible manner.

There are several different way to ethically cite, called styles, such as MLA, APA, Chicago, etc. Most English and other Humanities classes will employ the MLA format.

** In ENG 1101, use MLA format.

Most citation formats, including MLA, are two-part systems.

Part One: In-Text Citations

- mark within the body of your work what ideas do not belong to you
- use a system of abbreviations to do this

Part Two: Works Cited (or Bibliography)

- create a list of all the sources you that contains full information about the source
- attach a separate sheet at the end of your paper

**** You MUST do both parts in order to avoid plagiarizing. ****

The important thing to remember is that every single time you use information or ideas that are not your own, you follow them with a citation giving credit to the source where you got the information from, and then provide full source information in the Works Cited page at the end of your paper.