

2016-2017 Thesis and Dissertation Manuscript Formatting and Documentation Styles

Each graduate program that requires a dissertation or thesis has adopted an appropriate formatting and documentation style used in scholarly publications in the field. The student and advisor are responsible for ensuring that this style is used consistently throughout the manuscript.

The list of preferred styles is organized alphabetically by school. Under each department or program, students will find the preferred style and the title of a journal or journals for reference.

Students should contact the dean's office in the school if a style and journal are not listed under the program or department.

Please contact your staff graduate advisor, as individual departments may have additional information regarding formatting styles.

USC School of Architecture

Architecture (M.Arch., Ph.D.)

Building Science (M.B.S.)

Chicago Manual of Style 16th ed.

Heritage Conservation (M.H.C.)

Chicago Manual of Style 16th ed.

Landscape Architecture (M.L.Arch.)

USC Division of Biokinesiology and Physical Therapy

Biokinesiology and Physical Therapy

American Psychological Association (APA) Style

USC Marshall School of Business

All USC Marshall School of Business Ph.D. Programs

American Psychological Association (APA) Style

USC School of Cinematic Arts

Interactive Media (M.F.A.)

Modern Language Association (MLA) Style

Producing (Peter Stark Program) M.F.A.

Film Schedules: Entertainment Partners Movie Magic software format

Screenplays: Industry format

All other programs in School of Cinematic Arts

Chicago Manual of Style

USC Dornsife College of Letters, Arts and Sciences

American Studies and Ethnicity

Chicago Manual of Style

American Quarterly

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Anthropology
 Visual Anthropology
 Art History
 Chicago Manual of Style
 The Art Bulletin
 Biological Sciences
 Human and Evolutionary Biology: *Diabetes; Journal of Biomechanics, American Journal of Physical Anthropology*
 Marine Environmental Biology: *Limnology and Oceanography; Marine Ecology: Progress Series; Aquatic Microbial Ecology*
 Chemistry
 American Chemical Society journal publications style
 Journal of the American Chemical Society; Journal of Physical Chemistry
 Classics
 Transactions and Proceedings of the American Philological Association author guidelines
 Transactions and Proceedings of the American Philological Association
 Comparative Studies in Literature and Culture
 Comparative Studies in Literature and Culture (Slavic Languages and Literature)
 Chicago Manual of Style
 Slavic and East European Journal and *Slavic Review*
 Earth Sciences, Geological Sciences
 Geology
 East Asian Area Studies M.A.
 Chicago Manual of Style
 Journal for Asian Studies
 East Asian Languages and Cultures
 Chicago Manual of Style
 Consult with committee chair for field-specific styles
 Economics
 English
 Chicago Manual of Style or Modern Language Association (MLA) style
 Geographic Information Science and Technology
 Turabian's *A Manual for Writers of Research Papers, Theses, and Dissertations*, (2013)
 reference and citation requirements are Chicago 16th with reference to minor modifications provided in Turabian

 Geography PhD
 Chicago Manual of Style (if under American Studies Department); *Transactions in GIS* (if under Dr. John Wilson)
 American Quarterly Journal (under American Studies Department); *Transactions in GIS* (under Dr. John Wilson)
 History
 Chicago Manual of Style
 American Historical Review
 International Relations
 Kinesiology
 Liberal Studies

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Linguistics

“Language” Style Sheet

Linguistic Society of America (Language)

Literature and Creative Writing

Mathematics

See the author guidelines for any one journal in which you would like to publish

Ocean Sciences

Deep Sea Research

Limnology and Oceanography

Geology

Philosophy

See Journals

Nous, Ethics, Philosophical Review, Mind, and The Journal of Philosophical Logic

Physics and Astronomy

American Institute of Physics Style

Physical Review (any section)

Political Science and International Relations

Psychology

American Psychological Association (APA) Style

Public Diplomacy

Religion and Social Ethics

Sociology

USC Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism

Annenberg Master of Arts degrees

Chicago Manual of Style

Strategic Public Relations (M.A.)

Chicago Manual of Style or Modern Language Association (MLA) style

Journal of Public Relations Research. Students have also published in

Communication World (of the IABC) and *The Public Relations Strategist* (of the PRSA)

Ostrow School of Dentistry of USC

Craniofacial Biology

Elsevier Editorial System

Cell

USC School of Dramatic Arts

Applied Theatre Arts M.A.

American Psychological Association (APA) Style

Theatre (Acting) M.F.A.

Theatre (Directing) M.F.A.

Theatre (Dramatic Writing) M.F.A.

Samuel French or Final Draft for plays

Theatre (Theatrical Design) M.F.A.

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USC Rossier School of Education

All programs within the Rossier School of Education
American Psychological Association (APA) Style
Educational Researcher, Harvard Educational Review, Journal of Teacher Education

USC Viterbi School of Engineering

Aerospace and Mechanical Engineering
Astronautics and Space Technology
Biomedical Engineering
Civil Engineering
Computer Science
Electrical Engineering
Green Technologies
Industrial and Systems Engineering
Materials Science
Petroleum Engineering

USC Roski School of Fine Arts

Roski School of Fine Arts (MA and MFA)
Chicago Manual of Style
Grey Room (MIT Press)

USC Davis School of Gerontology

Gerontology
American Psychological Association (APA) Style
The Journals of Gerontology

USC Graduate School

Neuroscience
Journal of Neuroscience

Keck School of Medicine of USC

Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
Biostatistics
Biometrics
Cell and Neurobiology
Epidemiology
Genetic, Molecular and Cellular Biology
Molecular Epidemiology
Molecular Microbiology and Immunology
Pathology
The American Journal of Pathology
Physiology and Biophysics

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Preventive Medicine/Health Behavior Research
American Psychological Association (APA) Style
Health Psychology, American Psychologist
Statistical Genetics and Genetic Epidemiology
Biometrics
Systems Biology and Disease

USC Thornton School of Music

Choral and Sacred Music (Doctoral)
Chicago Manual of Style 16th ed.
Composition
Early Music Performance
Music Teaching and Learning
American Psychological Association (APA) Style
Journal of Research in Music Education
Musicology
Chicago Manual of Style
Journal of the American Musicological Society, Nineteenth-Century Music

USC Division of Occupational Science and Occupational Therapy

Occupational Science & Occupational Therapy
American Psychological Association (APA) Style (Social Science); Uniform
Requirements (Biological)
American Journal of Occupational Therapy (Social Science); *Archives of
Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation* (Biological)

USC School of Pharmacy

Molecular Pharmacology and Toxicology
Cell journal format
Cell
Pharmaceutical Sciences
Cell journal format
Cell

USC Price School of Public Policy

All programs within the USC Price School of Public Policy
American Psychological Association (APA) Style
Chicago Manual of Style 14th ed.
Journal of Regional Science

USC School of Social Work

Social Work