Guide for References

The following are examples of APA formatting of print and online resources for creating a list of references. For complete explanations and examples, see the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association, 6th ed., shelved in the first floor reference area (call # Ref PE1478. P82 2010; see also http://apastyle.apa.org/). All section numbers below refer to the 6th edition (2010) of the APA manual.

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**Authors of Websites:** If no author is listed, use the organization sponsoring the site. If you are unable to find an author of any sort, use the following format: *Title of document*. (Date). Retrieved from http://Web address

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One Author: Kaplan, F. M.

Two Authors: Brown, J. & Black, S. M.

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No author: Begin your citation with the title of the work followed by the year.

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- Use section heading, paragraph number if visible, or short title.

**Basic Citation Styles,** Table 6.1, p. 177: see this chart for examples of types of in text citations

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