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## APA 7th - conference proceedings/ presentations/posters

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The first line of each reference should be aligned with the left margin. Second and subsequent lines should be indented seven spaces (1.27cm).

#### Unpublished paper presentation

##### **Format (Electronic)**

Author. (Year of presentation, Month Day/s). *Title of presentation* [Paper presentation]. Name of conference or occasion, Location. <https://xxx>

##### **Format (Print)**

Author. (Year of presentation, Month Day/s). *Title of presentation* [Paper presentation]. Name of conference or occasion, Location.

##### **Example**

Stuart, J., Pacheco, G., Hedges, M., & Morton, S. (2014, July 2-4). *Monkey see, monkey do: How do parental socioeconomic shifts influence children's cognitive*

*outcomes?* [Paper presentation]. New Zealand Association of Economists (NZAE) 55th Annual Conference, Auckland, New Zealand. [https://www.nzae.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/NZAE\\_pacheco\\_hedges\\_et\\_al\\_HEDGES.pdf](https://www.nzae.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/NZAE_pacheco_hedges_et_al_HEDGES.pdf)

Chang-Richards, Y., Wilkinson, S., Seville, E., & Brunson, D. (2015, July 15-17). *A systems approach to managing human resources in disaster recovery projects* [Paper presentation]. 5th Annual International Conference on Building Resilience, Newcastle, NSW, Australia.

## **Unpublished poster session**

### **Format (Electronic)**

Author. (Year of presentation, Month Day/s). *Title of presentation* [Poster presentation]. Name of conference or occasion, Location. <https://xxx>

### **Format (Print)**

Author. (Year of presentation, Month Day/s). *Title of presentation* [Poster presentation]. Name of conference or occasion, Location.

### **Example**

Magnusson, J., & Zaar, J. (2017, April 10-12). *Improving information literacy instruction through reflection!* [Poster presentation] Librarians' Information Literacy Annual Conference (LILAC), Swansea, Wales. <https://www.lilacconference.com/lilac-archive/lilac-2017-1#papersandposters>

Doci, F., Eiliat, H., Gillard, K., Burton, S., Kustra, E., & Meadow, K. (2014, May 14-15). *Teaching culture indicators: Valuing and enhancing quality teaching in higher education* [Poster presentation]. Windsor-Oakland Eighth Annual Conference on Teaching & Learning: Empowering Students to Learn, Oakland University, Rochester, MI, United States.

Wilcock, J. (2013, November 24-26). *A co-citation network for biometrics* [Poster presentation]. New Zealand Statistical Association Conference, Hamilton, New Zealand.

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# In-text citation

When you use another person's ideas or words in your text include the author's name and publication date in brackets (Parenthetical Citation).

If you use the author's name as part of a sentence, include the date of publication in brackets (Narrative Citation).

## **One author**

- ... analysis of highly co-cited papers (Wilcock, 2013).  
Wilcock's (2013) graph illustrates ...

**Note:** If you use a Parenthetical Citation the first time, followed by a Narrative Citation, you need to repeat the date.

- Wilcock (2013) presents a graph of co-citation papers published in the biometrics field. Wilcock analyses the data ...

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## **Two authors**

Use '&' between the authors' surnames when they are enclosed within brackets. Use 'and' when they form part of the sentence.

- ... how teaching and reflection impacts on information literacy (Magnusson & Zaar, 2017). Magnusson and Zaar (2017) indicate this is a natural part of the teaching process.

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- Magnusson and Zaar's (2017) colourful poster demonstrates the use of reflection with information literacy. Magnusson and Zaar show how this improves ...

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### **Three or more authors**

Cite only the surname of the first author followed by et al.

- ... in the academic environment (Doci et al., 2014). Quality teaching and culture, according to Doci et al. (2014), was responsible ...

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- In the poster presentation, Doci et al. (2014) showed that there is increasing pressure ... Teaching quality has an impact on improving student learning. Surveys were piloted by Doci et al., followed by focus groups ...

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## **Quoting**

Direct quotes of less than 40 words require quotation marks and the page number/s.

- This research "illustrates the areas of study that have dominated in the journal" (Wilcock, 2013, p. 1).
- Wilcock (2013) purported that the "edges are weighted by the frequency of co-citation" (p. 1).
- The employment "shortage was further compounded by factors such as the shortage of temporary accommodation" (Chang-Richards et al., 2015, p. 12).
- Chang-Richards et al. (2015) observed that "significant skill shortages have re-emerged from the earthquakes" (p. 5).

See also: [more on quoting, including long quotes ...](#)

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