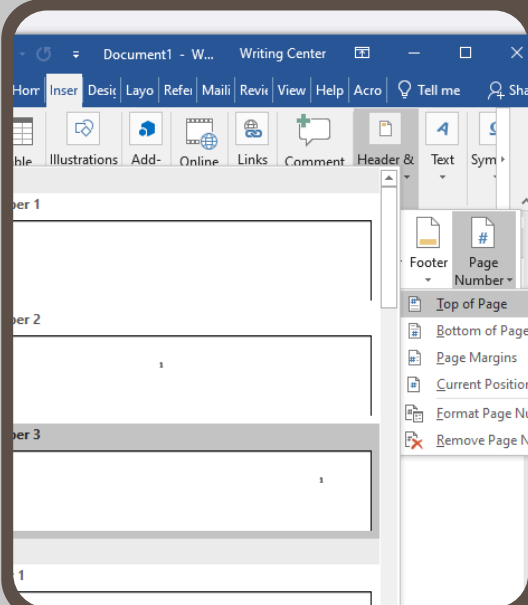


# APA General Guideline



This is a general guide for how to apply the 7th Edition of APA format to a student paper.



## Page Layout

- Standard-sized paper (8.5" x 11") with 1" margins (this is the default page setup in Microsoft Word)
- Page Number or "Running Head"
  - page number only
  - flush right
- Double-spaced line spacing (throughout the entire paper)

## Font

- The 7th edition APA Publication Manual requires accessible font (legible to all readers, and consistent throughout)
- Example fonts:
  - 11-point Calibri
  - 11-point Arial
  - 12-point Times New Roman

11-point Calibri

11-point Arial

12-point Times New Roman

## Sections to Include

- Title Page
- Abstract (per advisement by your instructor)
- Main Body
- References

## Title Page

- Title of Your Paper (centered and in Bold). Your title should only take up 1-2 lines.
- Author's Name: first name, middle initial(s) last name
- Institutional Affiliation
- Course Number and Name
- Instructor's Name
- Assignment Due Date
- Note: Your title should avoid using abbreviations or unnecessary words.

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## Abstract

### Abstract

This section marks the start of your abstract. It should cover key elements of your research, including the topic, research questions, participants, methods, results, data analysis, and conclusions. The abstract should offer a brief yet comprehensive overview of your findings. Use clear language to highlight the most significant aspects of your study. A well-written abstract will enable readers to quickly grasp the core content of your paper. Remember, it should summarize your work without delving into specifics.

*Keywords:* Abstract, research, overview

- Your page should automatically include the header.
- "Abstract" should be centered and in Bold on line 1.
- The next line will start your key research summary (do not indent).
- You may indicate keywords from your research in your abstract. Indent as if you're starting a new paragraph and list "Keywords:" (italicized) and then, list your chosen words without italicize.