Integrating Research in Writing

Academic writing combines your own ideas with ones which come from your research. The source of your evidence or support (paraphrase, summary or quotation) should be identified for the reader. As per APA 7th ed., this can be accomplished using the following strategies:

Introducing research with authors and reporting verbs

A common technique to introduce research is to include the author's name and use a reporting verb or expression.

Examples:

- Clark (2010) claims that students should study two hours for every hour in class.
- According to Clark (2010), students should study two hours for every hour in class.

Common strong reporting verbs:

Positive

| advocate | assert | believe | contend | demonstrate | insist |
|----------|----------|---------|-----------|-------------|---------|
| favour | maintain | prove | recommend | suggest | support |
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Negative

| allege | argue | assume | claim | declare | deny |
|----------|-------|--------|---------|---------|------|
| disagree | doubt | imply | purport | reject | |

Common neutral reporting verbs

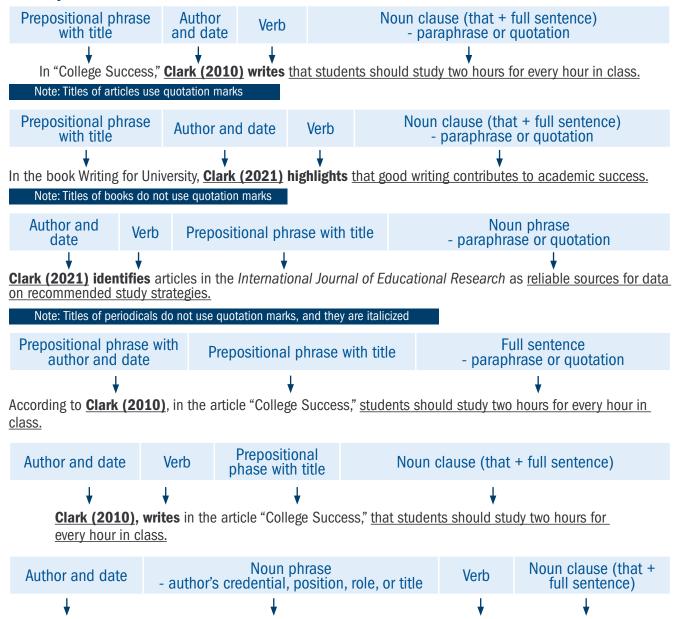
| agree | analyze | conclude | describe | develop | discuss |
|-----------|----------|------------|-----------|----------|---------|
| expand | explain | examine | find | focus | give |
| highlight | identify | illustrate | imply | indicate | mention |
| note | observe | outline | point out | posit | propose |
| provide | question | show | state | use | write |

Introducing research with source titles

Although less common in research essays, the title of a source is sometimes included in written assignments based on weekly readings, movies, etc.

Title case capitalization is used for the titles of articles, books, reports and other works within the text (APA 7th ed. Section 6.17).

Examples:



<u>Clark (2010)</u>, <u>Director of the College Success program at Winston University</u>, <u>writes that students should study</u> two hours for every hour in class.

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