What is an Annotated Bibliography?

- An annotated bibliography is an alphabetical listing of research sources accompanied by a narrative that summarizes and/or evaluates the research source.

- The bibliography is a listing of the research sources which includes books, scholarly articles, magazines, websites, etc.

- The annotation is a narrative description, evaluation, or summary of the research source.

- The purpose of the annotation is to provide information about the quality, authority, and relevance of the research source.
Example of an Annotated Bib entry


The purpose of this study was to see to what degree of stress students had and to find out how each of those students coped with the stress. In this study, two hundred and twelve students in psychology classes from community colleges in Southern Illinois were studied. All the students were given the perceived stress scale and a demographic survey in which they would rate on a scale how high or low they felt each question applied. They did conclude that women have higher levels …
Writing the Annotation

- Annotation is generally a paragraph in length
- Written in the past tense
- Quotes from the journal articles are properly cited
- Written using complete sentences
- Citation and annotation are double spaced
Annotated Bibliography Assign #1

- Create an Annotated Bibliography from a review of 4 journal articles
- Journal articles must be from scholarly, peer reviewed sources
- Must be written in APA format (APA 6th Edition)
- Copy of the 1st page of each article must be submitted as part of assignment
#1 The psychological effects of stress on college students
#2 The physical effects of stress on the body
#3 The importance of rest and diet in the lives of college students
#4 Healthy positive ways college students cope with stress
#5 Negative behaviors as a way to dealing with stress in the lives of college students
For the purpose of this annotated bibliography assignment, you are to provide specific information about the research discussed in the peer reviewed journal articles. In writing the annotation you must answer the following questions:

- What was the purpose of the study?
- Who were the subjects studied?
- What was the number of subjects in the study?
- What transpired in the study?
- What were the results (findings) and conclusions of the study?
- How is this study relevant to your transition to SJSU?
Citing Articles in Periodicals


Every line after the first line of the citation should be indented one-half inch from the left margin 5 to 7 spaces; this indentation is called a hanging indent.

Citing Authors in Periodicals

- The author’s names are listed starting with the last name first (spelled out) followed by the initials of their first and middle names. **Notice authors are not listed in alpha order; they are listed as they appear in journal article.**

Deckro, G. R., Ballinger, K. M., Hoyt, M., Wilcher, M.,
Citing Authors in Periodicals

- The “and” sign, &, (ampersand) is used before the last author is listed in the citation, except when there are 7 or more authors.

  Todd, J., & Mullan, B.

  Mann, J. R., Hunt, M. D., & Alford, J. G.
If an article has more than 7 authors, list the first six authors and then use 3 periods (…) after the 6th author’s name (the periods are also known as ellipses). After the 3 periods (ellipses) list the last author’s name.

The title of article is listed in sentence-case format, where only the first letter of the first word of the title is capitalized, except proper nouns and the first letter of the word after a colon or dash. A period is placed at the end of the title.

Predicting psychological distress in college students: The role of rumination and stress.
The journal title is then listed in title case, where the first letter of each word is capitalized; the journal title is also italicized and followed by a comma.

*Journal of Clinical Psychology,*
Rules for citing in Periodicals

- Listed next is the article volume number, which is also italicized, and issue number (not italicized), in parentheses, followed by a comma and the page numbers

61(4), 447-460.

volume number(issue number), pages
APA: Citing from Online Sources

Same rules apply as those for printed journal articles, however the location of the article must be included in the citation.

- Two ways to identify location of online sources:
  - DOI – digital object identifier, a permanent location
  - URL – Uniform Resource Locator, the general website location

- If no DOI, use URL
Article without DOI using the URL:

Sci 2 Annotated Bib Grading Rubric

- Total - 150 points
- Following directions 20% = 30 points
  - e.g., 12 point font, margins, names, identified topics, etc.
- Proper APA Citations & APA Rules 30% = 45 points
  - e.g., hanging indent, capitalization, italics, order of elements, commas, periods, spacing, etc.
- Annotation 50% = 75 points
  - e.g., answered the 6 questions, quality of analysis, proper grammar, punctuation, etc.
Sci 90 Annotated Bib Grading Rubric

- Total - 200 points
- Following directions 15% = 30 points
  - e.g., 12 point font, margins, names, identified topics, etc.
- Proper APA Citations & APA Rules 35% = 70 points
  - e.g., hanging indent, capitalization, italics, order of elements, commas, periods, spacing, etc.
- Annotation 50% = 100 points
  - e.g., answered the 6 questions, quality of analysis, proper grammar, punctuation, etc.
Use this website for looking up how to write the annotated bibliography and all things APA:

Online Writing Lab at Purdue University

http://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/560/01/