

# COMPUTER APPLICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

## ACADEMIC REFERENCE OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

To reference AI in academic work, cite the tool as the author (e.g., OpenAI) with the model version, year, and company, ensuring you provide a URL if possible. Always check institutional policies, as you should document how AI was used in your methodology, append transcripts, and prioritize transparency.

Here is how to reference AI, tailored by format:

### General Guidelines for AI Citation

- **Author:** The company that created the tool (e.g., OpenAI, Microsoft).
- **Title:** The name of the model and version (e.g., ChatGPT-4, Gemini).
- **Date:** The year the content was generated.
- **Type:** Mention it is a "Large Language Model" or "AI-generated image".
- **URL/Link:** A direct, shared URL to the conversation.

### APA 7th Edition Style

APA recommends citing AI by treating the creator as the author.

- **In-Text Citation:** (OpenAI, 2024)
- **Reference List:** OpenAI. (2024). *ChatGPT-4* (Nov 4 version) [Large language model]. <https://chat.openai.com/>
- **Format:** Author/Creator. (Year). *Name of tool* (Version) [Type of model]. URL.

### MLA 9th Edition Style

MLA treats AI-generated content as a source with no author, focusing on the prompt.

- **In-Text Citation:** ("Describe the structure of a cell" prompt).
- **Works Cited:** "Description of Prompt" prompt. *Name of AI Tool*, version, Company, Date of chat, URL.

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### Harvard Style

Include the tool name and creator.

- **In-Text:** (OpenAI, 2024)
- **Reference List:** Author/Company. (Year) *Tool Name*. Available at: URL (Accessed: Day Month Year).

### Best Practices for AI Acknowledgement

- **Methodology/Appendix:** If AI was used for brainstorming, outlining, or coding, describe it in your methodology section or an appendix, not just as a formal citation.
- **Documenting Prompts:** Keep records of your prompts and the AI's responses.
- **Check Policies:** Ensure your university or journal allows AI use and follow their specific guidelines.

### **Reference:**

- **APA 7th Edition:** Google AI. (2026). Gemini(Feb 17 version) [Large language model]. <https://gemini.google.com>.