

## Reference Notecards

When doing research it is important to keep track of sources right from the start.

- Skim the source to see if it will be relevant to your topic
- If it is a book, consult the table of contents or index to find related information
- At the top of the note card, write down the reference using the style required for the course (APA, MLA, Chicago)
- Underneath, note in point form the specific topics the source covers
- Also note relevant page numbers and how you found the source

### Example Reference note card (APA)

*Research paper topic:* How to write an academic paper

Walker, L. J. S. & Schönwetter, D. J. (2003). *Success secrets of university students*. Toronto: Prentice-Hall.

See chapter 8: Academic Writing pp 173-197  
Esp. acknowledging work of others and writing process

Great timeline (p. 184) & evaluation tool (p. 191)  
Course textbook

\*\*note: when referencing, cite chapter author: L. Taylor



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