If you’re looking for guidance on how to format your papers or handle citations, the Purdue Online Writing Lab (OWL) is a great resource. On this website you will find guidelines for three of the most common styles used for academic papers: MLA, APA, and Chicago. Be sure to ask your instructor which style you’re expected to use; the preferences and conventions vary by discipline.

MLA Style Guidelines

<https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/research_and_citation/mla_style/mla_style_introduction.html>

APA Style Guidelines

<https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/research_and_citation/apa_style/apa_style_introduction.html>

Chicago Style Guidelines

<https://owl.purdue.edu/owl/research_and_citation/chicago_manual_17th_edition/cmos_formatting_and_style_guide/chicago_manual_of_style_17th_edition.html>