

## Accessing the MLA 8<sup>th</sup> Edition Citation Guide

- Access the UNM-Los Alamos Library website at [losalamos.unm.edu/library](https://losalamos.unm.edu/library)
- Click on “Services” from the menu on the left.
- Click on “Information Literacy Program.”
- Click on “General Information and Handouts.”
- Click on “MLA 8<sup>th</sup> Edition Citation Style Guide.”
- Print out a copy if desired, so that you can easily refer to it each time you need to cite a resource.

## Downloading Citations from Online Databases

You may download citations from most of the online databases available at UNM-Los Alamos. However, you must double check their accuracy using the MLA Style Guide referenced above.

- A citation icon or link will be available on the open page of a specific article in the database.
  - Find and click on the icon/link.
  - In the resulting window, select “MLA” as the citation style.
    - The citation showing will be for the resource you are citing.
  - Highlight the entire citation.
- Copy and paste the citation into a Microsoft Word document that you will be setting up as your “Works Cited” or “Bibliography” page.
  - You will probably need to reformat the citation to appear as a “hanging-indented” paragraph.
    - Follow the steps below to reformat the citation.
  - Double check the accuracy of the information in the citation (including capitalization, punctuation, etc.) against the citation pattern showing in the MLA Citation Style Guide for the type of resource you are citing (i.e. book, e-book, journal article, online journal article, etc.).