

Referencing in your work with Harvard Stirling University style

Within your written work you must show clearly where you have used someone else's work and ideas, for example, when you quote or paraphrase someone else's publication.

Referencing within your work consists of two elements: in-text citations and a detailed reference list. Both of these elements together are known as referencing.

There are many different referencing styles. The Aquaculture division and Biological and Environmental Sciences division use the **Harvard Stirling University** referencing style and you must follow the style rules.

In-text citations:

Each time you refer to someone else's work, you need to include the author's name and the date of their work within your text at the point where you discuss their ideas. This is called citing the author's work.

For example:

There is some evidence (Kaiser and Snyder 2012) that these figures are incorrect.

Reference List:

Full details for each work you have used (cited) are given in the reference list at end of your work. The reference list contains details of all the things you have cited in your piece of work arranged alphabetically by author.

For example, the full reference for the example above would look like this:

Kaiser, M.J. and Snyder, B. (2012) Modeling the decommissioning cost of offshore wind development on the U.S. Outer Continental Shelf. *Marine Policy*, 36 (1), pp. 153-164.

The full references for different publication types are written differently.

- For full details on how to use the Harvard Stirling University style see the guide available at: <http://www.stir.ac.uk/is/student/writing/referencing/howto/#standard>
- RefWorks, our referencing software, can make managing your references and creating your reference list a lot easier. See the RefWorks guide at: <http://libguides.stir.ac.uk/refworks>