Quick Guide to CMOS/Chicago Style



Author-Date System Example: "Insert Quotation here." (Fairchild 2025, 98)	 After you use a quote, you must do an in-text citation. In-text citations are (Last Name Year, page). If name is already stated in text, or you draw from the same source multiple times in a row, you can skip the last name. At the end of your paper, you use a "References" page.
Notes-Bibliography System Example: "Insert Quotation here." 1. Chris Fairchild, Retained, "Writing a Thesis" (Proquest, 2025), 98.	 After you use a quote, you use a super-script and a footnote. Each footnote is the complete bibliographic citation numbered the same as the superscript in the order of First name Last name, Name of Book, Article (publisher, year), page #. If you cite from the same source again on the same page, then your footnote only needs the last name and page number. At the end of your paper, you will use a "bibliography" page.
References Page (Author-Date) Example: Fairchild, Christopher. 2025. Retained. Proquest.	 The order to your citations (with punctuation) should be: Last Name, First Name. Year published. Book Title. Additional contributors first and last name. Publisher. Be sure to set these to hanging indent and are alphabetized.
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Additional Notes Example: Fairchild, Chris and Brian Williams	 If you have multiple authors the order goes "First Author's last Name, first name and 2nd authors First name last name. <u>Do not use an ampersand: "&", Write out "and"!</u> Like most styles 12pt font and a serif font (like Times New Roman) is preferred.