

How to Cite Information from your Professor in APA 7th Edition

Webinars, Lectures, & Presentation Slides

So, you'd like to cite information from your professor and/or a class lecture? Great! Let's do that...

BUT WAIT – first, consider:

- Was your professor's lecture/slides based on information or content they received from other sources? For example, was the information in their lecture/slideshow from a textbook, an article, a website, etc.?
- If the answer above is YES, then you should locate the original content (the article, for example) and cite that instead of citing your professor's content.
- **Tip:** Always try to cite original content, not secondary content from another source.

If your professor's content is their original content (and not secondary content that they found somewhere else), you can certainly cite that! There are a variety of ways to cite this, depending on the context:

1. If you'd like to cite a webinar/workshop that was recorded, and is retrievable, you can cite as follows (per APA 7th Edition, p. 344):

Goldberg, J. F. (2018). *Evaluating adverse drug effects* [Webinar]. American Psychiatric Association. <https://education.psychiatry.org/users/productdetails>

2. A webinar or lecture that was unrecorded and not retrievable should be cited as personal communications (Format: first initial and last name of professor, personal communication, date of webinar or lecture). Personal communications are only cited in the text of the paper and not included on the references page (per APA 7th Edition, p. 260):

(T. Nguyen, personal communication, February 24, 2020)

- The above example is a parenthetical citation that would go at the end of the sentence

3. To cite just the PowerPoint slides (per APA 7th Edition, p. 347):

Goldberg, J. F. (2016). *Game on! Integrating games and simulations in the classroom* [PowerPoint slides]. SlideShare. <https://www.slideshare.net/brianhousand/game-on-iagc-2016/>

- If the slides are from Sakai and you are writing for an audience that has access to Sakai, provide the name of the site and its URL. In the example above, instead of "SlideShare", that section would say "Pepperdine Sakai" or "Sakai@PGBS", and the URL would include the Sakai login information.
- If the link to the slides is not accessible to the person viewing your references, cite the source as personal communications instead (see #2 above).

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