



# Research Methods

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# **CITATION, REFERENCING, PLAGIARISM, REFERENCING STYLE, REFERENCING PACKAGES**



# Citation and Reference

- ❑ **Citing** refers to the act of acknowledging or referring to someone else's work, ideas, or sources in your writing. It is a way to give credit to the original author and provide readers with information about the source.
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# Citation Versus Reference

<b>Citation</b>	<b>References</b>
A specific source that is mentioned in the body of the work	A list of sources mentioned at the end of the work
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Found in the body of the work	Found at the end of the work



# RUCU REFERENCING STYLE

- ❑ **Referencing style** is a standardized method for citing sources in academic and professional writing. It dictates how citations and references should be formatted, ensuring consistency and proper attribution.
- ❑ Different referencing styles include: APA (American Psychological Association) – 7th Edition, MLA (Modern Language Association) – 9th Edition, Chicago Style (Notes and Bibliography or Author-Date),



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- ❑ Different referencing styles include: Harvard Referencing Style, IEEE (Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers), and Vancouver Referencing Style
- ❑ RUCU is using IEEE (Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers).
- ❑ IEEE is commonly used in engineering, computer science, and technology.



# Plagiarism

- ❑ Plagiarism refers to the use of intellectual material produced by another person without acknowledging its source.
- ❑ This includes,
  - ✓ Submitting someone else's work or ideas in academic assignments without proper acknowledgment is considered plagiarism.
  - ✓ Using the views, opinions, or insights of another without acknowledgment.



# How to Avoid Plagiarism

- Understand the context
- Do not copy and paste text
- Understand ideas and paraphrase correctly (write in your own words).
- Present your own real work.

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