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APA Citations for Content Generated by Artificial Intelligence (AI) Tools

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Work Generated by Artificial Intelligence Is Not the Same as Other Sources

AI-generated content is not like other sources you might cite. ChatGPT, DALL-E, and similar AI tools generate text,

Example:

AI Use Disclosure

I used ChatGPT to help me find a television commercial that fits the goals of this assignment. It gave me the example of the Nike "Dream Big" commercial and explained how some of the technical elements relate to polysemy of discourse. I then used my class notes to apply these elements to the commercial.

APA Style for Citing AI-Generated Content

This is a summary of the American Psychological Association's (APA) [current advice for citing generative AI content](#).

If more than one reference has the same author and the same year, add a letter to the year (a, b, c, etc.). Doing this makes it clear which in-text citation matches which entry in the References.

Example:

Microsoft. (2023a). Bing Image Creator with DALL-E (Version 3) [Large text-to-image model].

https://www.bing.com/images/create/a-cozy-living-room-with-lots-of-tropical-plants-an/1-65961ca9e4ea4047bf61abd02