**Reference list formatting**

**Become an expert user of bibliographic software**

***Top tips***

1. Become **familiar** with your preferred discipline-specific referencing style [Note: more than 300 different styles exist.] The trend is:
	* ‘sentence-case’ for titles e.g. Encyclopedia of research design
	* ‘capital-case’ for Journal names e.g. *Journal of Biomedical Education*
2. Be **consistent** with the entry form of all elements – e.g. enter Author names the same way e.g. Behrend, Monica otherwise in-text might have (Behrend 2020) or (Behrend, M 2020)
[Note: for names of organisations add a comma at the end of the name, e.g. University of South Australia, otherwise it will appear as Australia, UoS !!!]
3. Always **check** each reference methodically as you enter it [Note: imported references will not be consistent, so modify them to be consistent according to your style.]

**Activity 1** Examine these references for completeness and consistency.

* Which seem incomplete?
* Spot inconsistencies
* What questions do you have?

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**PERFECT examples**



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* California is abbreviated to CA
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* This reference list refers to California in three ways – California, Calif. and CA. CA is correct.



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* Open-learning … no space after the hyphen
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* Lowercase ‘c’ for ‘Contribution’



* Be consistent with inserting URLs, as here you have < … > but not in others!
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* Spelling ‘Applied’



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* Capital case for the name of the journal *Public Health Nutrition*



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