

Abbreviations

A number of abbreviations are generally accepted in academic writing. The following list, though not exhaustive, contains the most frequently used examples. Most of these are found in citations or referencing components of writing such as in table or image captions.

Abbreviation	Usage	Meaning
app.	"See App. 2... "	appendix
bk., bks.,	"See Bk 3 ... "	book/books
c, ©	"Turnitin©"	copyright
c. (<i>circa</i>)	"c. 1901"	about a certain date
ch., chs. (or chap/chaps)	"See Ch. 6 ... "	chapter/chapters
col., cols.	"See p. 6, col. 3... "	column/s
diss.	"PhD diss.... "	dissertation (Masters/PhD)
ed., eds.	"Davies, M. and Devlin, M. (eds.) ... "	editor/s
edn., 3 rd ed.	"See 1996, 3 rd ed. ... "	Edition / third edition
et al., (<i>et alii</i>)	"Jones, et al., 1999 ... "	"and others" when a book has several authors
et. seq., (<i>et sequentes</i>)	"pp. 64 et seq."	"and following"
f., ff.	Refers to other page numbers, e.g., "p. 6 ff. ... "	and the following
facsim.	"See 1854, facsim.... "	facsimile (exact copy)
fol., fols	"See p. 45, fol. 3457... "	folio/s
front.	"See front. p. iii"... "	frontispiece (first page)
ibid., (<i>ibidem</i>)	"See ibid., p. 35"	the same work (as cited directly above)
ill., ills.	M. and K. Smith, ills.	illustrator/s
loc. cit. (<i>loco citato</i>)	"See, Smith, loc. cit. ... "	same place already cited —same passage used before
ms., mss.	"See Jones, 1999 ms.... "	manuscript (unpublished)
n., nn.	"See p. 56, n. 3" ... "	note (s) below text
n.d.	"See Smith, n.d., p. 35... "	no date (of publication)
n.p.	"Jones, 1999, n.p. "	no place (of publication)
no.	"Vol. 56, no. 5 ... "	number (used for journals)
op. cit. (<i>opere citato</i>)	"Jamison, 1999, op. cit., p. 45 ... "	in a work recently cited before
p., pp.	"1999, pp. 45-58... "	page/pages
passim.	"Jackson, 1987, passim... "	throughout the work rather than specific pages



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pers. comm.	"According to John Smith, Director of Teaching and Learning: '... ..', (Smith, pers. comm., 16/6/17).	personal communication
pt.	"See Chapter 4, pt. 3..."	part (e.g., I, II, III, IV)
q.v. (<i>quod vide</i>)	"pp. 34-56, q.v. p. 67..."	"which see" used in cross-referencing
rev. edn.	"1999, rev. edn. ..."	revised edition
sic. [sic]	He said: 'I had too see it for myself [sic]'.	thus so - used to identify mistakes in original quote
suppl.	"See <i>the Australian</i> , Higher Education suppl...."	Supplement
tech. rep.	"See tech. rep., no. 6..."	technical report
tr., trans.	"Nosick, R., trans., ..."	translator
v., vv., vs., vss.	"See p. 5, vs. 567..."	verse(s)
verso	"See publisher's information. verso page, p. ii..."	page after title page
viz. (<i>videlicet</i>)	"He needs a doctor, viz., a medical expert."	namely or "in other words"
vol., vols	"See 1876, vol. 5..."	volume/s

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