MLA and APA Citation Formats in LaTeX

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1 APA Citation Format

To use the APA Citation format in LaTeX, the `apacite` package must be installed. To do so, follow the steps outlined below.

1.1 Installation

The `apacite` package is normally distributed using a `.dtx` file. In fact, if `MikTeX 2.7` or higher is available, the package can be installed directly from the `MikTeX` package repository. However, steps for manual installation are outlined below.

1. The LaTeXcitation package, `apacite.sty` needs to be copied into the `tex` folder in the `MikTex` installation folder.

2. The `apacann.bst`, `apacannxs.bst`, `apacite.bst`, and `apacitex.bst` need to be copied into the folder where BibTeX can access them. Normally, this is the `\bibtex\bst` folder in the MikTeX folder. Furthermore, note that the `apacann.bst` and `apacannx.bst` are to be used when the `annote` and/or `annotate` fields are provided (for annotated bibliographies).

3. For information on the other files present in the package, refer to the APACite documentation pdf (`apacite.pdf`), which can be obtained from CTAN, at **ctan.org/tex-archive/biblio/bibtex/contrib/apacite/**.

1.2 Usage

To use the `.sty` package, add either `\usepackage[(`*`options`*`)]{apacite}` or `\RequirePackage[(`*`options`*`)]{apacite}` to the preamble of the document. To load the `bibtex` files, use `\bibliographystyle{apacite}` or `\bibliographystyle{apacitex}` to the document before the `\bibliography` command. For further information, refer to the APACite documentation available on CTAN, at the URL provided above.

2 MLA Citation Format

To use the MLA citation format in LATEX, it is necessary to install the `biblatex-mla` package first. The package itself can be obtained from **http://ctan.org/tex-archive/macros/latex/exptl/biblatex-contrib/biblatex-mla/** The necessary steps for installation are outlined below:

2.1 Installation

1. First, locate the `biblatex` folder. In Windows, and with MikTeX 2.7, this should be located at `\tex\latex\biblatex`

2. Then, in the subfolder entitled `latex` copy `mla.cbx` into the folder called `cbx`

3. Copy `mla.bbx` into the `bbx` folder

4. Copy `mla-american.lbx` and `mla-english.lbx` into the `lbx` folder.

5. For more information, refer to the `biblatex-mla` documentation available with the package. Note that sample `.tex` files are also available.

2.2 Usage

In order to use this citation style, place the following code in the preamble:
`\usepackage[american]{babel}`
`\usepackage{csquotes}`
`\usepackage[style=mla]{biblatex}`
`\bibliography{<bibfile>}`
Note here that `<bibfile>` refers to the bibliography file that the user wishes to use in the document. For more information on package options and functions, refer to the `biblatex-mla` documentation available on CTAN.