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Making the Most of Citation Managers: Which One Should I Use? Which One Should My Students Use?

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EndNote Web

- Web-based
- Share read-only and read-write “Groups” with others who have EndNote Web accounts
- Use with EndNote desktop and/or ISI databases
- Best used for simple writing projects (no customizable import filters or output styles)
- Free to subscribers of Web of Knowledge

EndNote

- Must be purchased and installed on individual computer
- Link to EndNote Web for online access
- Customizable import filters and output styles
- Create “Smart” searches of personal library
- Robust software, best for those who publish

Citation Managers
are software applications that allow you to...

- Gather citation information from article databases, web pages, and other sources
- Format manuscripts and bibliographies in various styles (MLA, APA, Turabian, etc.)
- Organize a personal database of citations, images and PDFs

Which is the right one for you?
for your students?

price

need to gather/import Web sites, blogs,....
what's everyone else using?
work at multiple computers?

research habits

publish in journals with specific, citation criteria/styles?

field of study

compatibility

own a laptop?
import seems important?

support

available?

zotero

- Firefox browser plug-in
- Free, open source
- Easy to use
- Captures Web metadata and snapshots
- “Senses” bibliographic data on Web page
- Best used for simple writing projects (limited output styles; many styles in beta version)

RefWorks

- Web-based with ability to work offline
- 1200+ citation styles
- Option to create your own output styles
- RefGrabit for capturing Web page metadata
- Share read-only and read-comment folders
- RSS capabilities