Chicago-Style Citation Quick Guide: Author-Date

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**Books**

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T:  (Doniger 1999, 65)

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T:  (Cowlishaw, Smith and Dunbar 2000, 104–7)

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T:  (Laumann et al. 1994, 262)

**Editor, translator, or compiler in addition to author**

T:  (Bringman 2007, 22)

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T:  (Kurland and Lerner 1987, chap. 10)

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T:  (Blue 2009, under section II: Americanization)

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