

Points to Consider when Choosing a Citation Manager

- Do you need to access your citations from multiple computers?
- Do you have steady access to internet?
- Do you want a manager to store and annotate pdfs?
- Will you be using it mainly to create bibliographies or insert citations?
- What book or journal databases do you use most often?
- What citation managers are your colleagues using?
- Which interface is most appealing to you?

Citation Management Tools and Resources

UW Citation Management Guide: <http://guides.lib.washington.edu/citation-tools>

RefWorks

Online Training Videos: <https://www.youtube.com/user/ProQuestRefWorks>

Zotero

Online Training Videos: https://www.zotero.org/support/screencast_tutorials

Quick Start Guide: https://www.zotero.org/support/quick_start_guide

EndNote Basic

Online Training Videos: <http://www.youtube.com/user/EndNoteTraining>

Mendeley

Online Training Videos: <http://www.mendeley.com/videos-tutorials/>

AskUs! from the UW Library Website <http://www.lib.washington.edu/about/contact>

Research Commons Citation Management Help Service

Make a consultation appointment with us!: <http://commons.lib.washington.edu/services>

Email: rcomgrad@uw.edu

Quick Comparison of Citation Management Software *

	EndNote Desktop (not supported by UW Libraries)	EndNote Basic	Mendeley	RefWorks	Zotero
Free	No	Yes (UW license)	Yes	Yes (UW license)	Yes
Web-based	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Access & edit database offline	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Enter in-text citations offline	Yes	No	Yes	Yes (MS Word Only)	Yes
Supports different citation styles	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Insert citations in Word or Open Office docs (w/installed plugin)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Insert citations in Google docs	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Open source	No (owned by Thomson Reuters)	No (owned by Thomson Reuters)	No (owned by Elsevier)	No (owned by ProQuest)	Yes
Attach files	Yes (no limit)	Yes (2GB)	Yes (2GB)	Yes (100MB default)	Yes (300M B)
Attach web page or screen captures	No	No	No	No	Yes
Annotate pdfs within program	Yes	No	Yes	No	No +
Mobile capability	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
App availability	Yes (Cost \$\$)	No	Yes	No	Yes (3rd party)

+ PDF management features for Zotero, including extracting annotations, are available through the [ZotFile](#) add-on.