

Set Up Paragraphs (APA)

Follow these guidelines to set up paragraphs using APA style (2020, p. 45):

- Indent the first line of each paragraph by 1.27 cm. (Hit the tab button on your computer to do this automatically).
- Do not justify the text. In other words, the second and consecutive lines of each paragraph should be against the left margin and words towards the right margin should be uneven.
- “Do not manually divide words at the end of a line” or break them with hyphens.
- Do not add a blank space/line between paragraphs. It is easy to see where a new paragraph begins because of the indentation of the first line.
- Your text should be double-spaced.
- Have a look at this example (Dench, 2020, p. 6):

The comparing and contrasting of linguistic features across languages (Illman & Pietilä, 2018; Jimenez et al., 1996) is part of bi-/multilingual practice and falls under the umbrella of *translanguaging* (Corcoll López & Gonzáles-Davies, 2016). Although translanguaging has been introduced recently in the tertiary sector (Mazak & Carroll, 2016), no information was found with regards to faculty upskilling, thus indicating a possible research gap.

The term translanguaging, from the Welsh *trawsieithu* (Garcia & Wei, 2013, p. 20), was originally used by Cen Williams (1996) to describe how his students mixed Welsh and English within the classroom (Anderson, 2018). Currently, it denotes much more than a specific language practice (Wei, 2018); it is now considered a practical theory of language (Vogel & Garcia, 2017; Wei, 2018).

References

- American Psychological Association. (2020). *Publication manual of the American Psychological Association* (7th ed.). Author.
- Dench, A. M. (2020). *Improving coherence in academic writing through translanguaging* [Draft research proposal]. Sheridan Institute of Higher Education.