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**Introduction**

The Modern Language Association and American Psychological Association are both formatting and writing styles for academic essays, reports, and papers. MLA is used predominately in the humanities and liberal arts. On the other hand, APA is used predominately in the social disciplines. The two styles have many similarities and differences too. This essay argues out two main differences that arise between the two.

1. **Title Page**

The header mainly notices the title page of an MLA formatted paper on the left side of the page that includes the name of the author, the instructor’s name, the course, and the date. The first page of the paper has the essay’s title on the right side header. The first page of the paper has the essay’s title on the right side header .The page numbers are indicated. The APA title page is different from the MLA. In APA constructed papers, the page headers are used at the top of each page. The title of the article is indicated on the left side of the header while the page numbers are shown on the left side header. The title page consists of the title, name of author, and the institutional membership.

1. **In-Text Citations**

The in-text citations are dissimilar for MLA and APA formats. The APA format uses the author-date format while MLA follows the author-page format. An MLA cited paper consists of the surname and the number of page in parenthesis following the text. An APA cited paper consists of the last name of the author and year of publication in parenthesis.

The reason behind the different formatting styles mainly is due to the difference in the subjects matters that the various authors write about. In my future coursework, I expect to use both writing formats to get more familiar with them and also present the quality work that is grammatically sound.