Citations: Chicago Manual of Style

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Following is a sample of text with footnotes:

Margaret Randolph Higonnet organizes a unique collection of essays on the effect of the World Wars on suffrage movements across the globe.¹ She expounds the “Double Helix” argument which suggests that wartime reforms were only short-term and were merely “interruptions of ‘normal’ gender relations. The nation called upon women to change their roles only for the duration.”² Two Scholars of the French movement, Steve C. Hause and Anne R. Kenney, present an overview of the periodicals, organizations, and legislation which allowed this movement to succeed.³ They argue that Frenchwomen’s suffrage and social policies were valued equally to these women. Paul Smith contends that Frenchwomen were at a major disadvantage due to the Civil Codes and other legislative decrees.⁴

¹ Higonnet, Behind the Lines: Gender and the Two World Wars, (Yale University Press, 1987), 31.
² Ibid, 85.
³ Hause, Women’s Suffrage and Social Politics in the French Third Republic, 176.
⁴ Smith, The British Women’s Suffrage Campaign,67.

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