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Figure 1: Overview of citation purposes. Translated and adapted from Kessel, E. (2016, p. 151). Items marked with * have been changed or added.

Explanations and examples of the different citation options can be found in:

Kessel, E. (2016). Quellen zitieren. In A. Hirsch-Weber & S. Scherer (Eds.), *Wissenschaftliches Schreiben und Abschlussarbeit in Natur- und Ingenieurwissenschaften* (pp. 143-176). Verlag Eugen Ulmer.

[Link to Kessel, E. \(2016\). Quellen zitieren in the TUM Opac.](#)