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Abbreviations

Books

- BC Sylvia Harcstark Myers, *The Bluestocking Circle: Women, Friendship, and the Life of the Mind in Eighteenth-Century England* (Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1990).
- BF Gary Kelly, gen. ed., *Bluestocking Feminism: Writings of the Bluestocking Circle, 1738-1785*, 6 vols (London: Pickering and Chatto, 1999).
- C Samuel Richardson, *Clarissa; or, The History of a Young Lady*, ed. Angus Ross (Harmondsworth: Penguin, 1985).
- E&K T.C. Duncan Eaves and Ben D. Kimpel, *Samuel Richardson: A Biography* (Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1971).
- FB Bernard Mandeville, *Fable of the Bees, or, Private Vices, Publick Benefits*, ed. F.B. Kaye, 2 vols. (1924; Indianapolis: Liberty Fund, 1988).
- G Samuel Richardson, *The History of Sir Charles Grandison*, ed. Jocelyn Harris, 3 vols. (London: Oxford University Press, 1972).
- P Samuel Richardson, *Pamela; or, Virtue Rewarded*, ed. Thomas Keymer (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2001).
- SL *Selected Letters of Samuel Richardson*, ed. John Carroll (Oxford: Clarendon Press, 1964).
- SRPCC *Samuel Richardson's Published Commentary on 'Clarissa' 1747-65*, gen. ed. Florian Stuber, 3 vols. (London: Pickering and Chatto, 1998).

Periodicals

- AM *Athenian Mercury*
- ECF *Eighteenth-Century Fiction*
- GM *Gentleman's Magazine*
- PMLA *Proceedings of the Modern Language Association*