The Writing Center
Department of English | Kansas State University
Fall 2014 Report

SERVICES WE OFFER

ONE-TO-ONE TUTORING
Any K-State student can receive free writing mentoring from a trained tutor. We welcome students from all disciplines working on writing projects of all kinds during any stage of the writing process.

ONLINE TUTORING
We provide online written feedback and real-time video/audio online sessions through our website, www.ksu.edu/english/writingcenter.

CLASS VISITS AND WORKSHOPS
We travel to your classes to deliver short presentations on the Center and provide in-class writing instruction/support to faculty across the disciplines.

OUR WRITING CENTER VISITORS AT A GLANCE

Visitors by College/School
- Agriculture
- Architecture
- Arts and Sciences
- Engineering
- Education
- Human Ecology
- Business
- Veterinary Medicine
- Other

Appointments by Class Standing
- Freshman: 526
- Sophomore: 260
- Junior: 294
- Senior: 234
- Graduate: 329

In Fall 2014, students made 1,643 appointments.

HOW DOES THE WRITING CENTER HELP WRITERS?
We listen, offer feedback, and give students the tools to sharpen their writing craft. We do not proofread or edit. Our trained undergraduate and graduate tutors will help with all stages of the writing process, from brainstorming to final drafts.

Appointments by Help Topic
- Expressing Purpose and Ideas
- Organization
- Grammar and Mechanics

DID YOU KNOW?
Our tutees read their work out loud during tutoring sessions. Writing center research shows that tutees prefer reading out loud more than any other tutoring technique.

Before they can apply to be tutors, students take ENGL 500, Writing Center Theory and Practice. This course includes an apprenticeship in the Center and is open to all students who have taken English 100 and 200.
CAMPUS OUTREACH

The Writing Center supports writing in the classroom by offering classroom visits and specialized workshops.

In Fall 2014, we visited ~2,800 students in 83 classes.

We welcome new opportunities to collaborate with faculty across the disciplines.

OUR COMMITMENT TO CULTURAL EXCHANGE

We host a weekly event titled Conversation Corner, at which English Language Learners can practice speaking English.

The most common first languages of our visitors are English, Chinese, Spanish, and Arabic.

22% of our visitors speak a first language that is not English.

TUTORING LOCATIONS

Main Location:
English/Counseling Services (ECS), 122D
Phone: 785-532-842
Email: writing@ksu.edu

Satellite Locations:
Sunday Nights in Hale Library (Main Floor)
Thursdays at Radina’s (Center for Leadership Studies)
Tuesdays at the Veterans Center (for veterans and military-affiliated students only)

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Make an appointment and view our hours: www.ksu.edu/english/writingcenter.

Contact the Director:
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Schedule a Class Visit or Workshop:
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