## The Writing Center

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#### 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.

ONLINE TUTORING We provide online written feedback and real-time video/audio online

sessions through our website, www.ksu.edu/english/writingcenter.

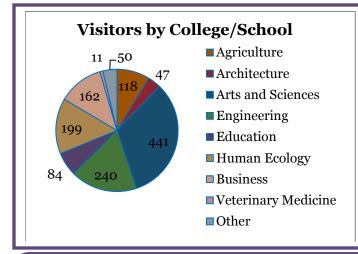
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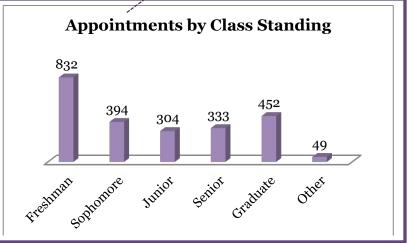
WORKSHOPS

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

In AY16-17, students made 2,364 appointments.

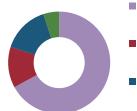




## HOW DOES THE WRITING CENTER HELP WRITERS?

We listen, offer feedback, and give students the tools to sharpen their writing craft. We do not proofread or edit. Our trained undergraduate, graduate student, and instructor tutors will help with all stages of the writing process, from brainstorming to final drafts.

## Appointments by Help Topic



- Expressing Purpose and Ideas
- Organization and Planning
- Grammar, Mechanics, and Style
- Research and Citations

## 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 Academic Year 2016-2017, we visited ~7,000 students in 210 classes.

We welcome new opportunities to collaborate with faculty across the disciplines. Speak to us today about coordinating a visit to your Fall 2017 and Spring 2018 classes.



# OUR COMMITMENT TO CULTURAL EXCHANGE

Our workshop "Acclimating to Graduate-Level Writing Expectations" is offered each term for new international graduate students.



20% of our visitors speak a first language that is not English.

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

### GRADUATE STUDENT WRITING RETREAT

In May 2017, 12 graduate students from across the disciplines participated in the Writing Center's 2-week Graduate Student Writing Retreat, sponsored by the English Department and the Graduate School. The event provided space and time to write, community, coffee and food, and workshops. More retreats will be held for M.A. and Ph.D. students, faculty, and postdoctoral researchers throughout the year; please check K-State Today and our website for future announcements.

#### TUTORING LOCATIONS

Main Location:

Satellite Locations:

English/Counseling Services (ECS), 122D Phone: 785-532-0842 Tuesdays and Thursdays in Hale Library (Alcove 103) Wednesdays at Radina's in Aggieville (Conference Room)

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