What is the GSU Writing Studio?

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Who Are We?

- The Writing Studio is made by a community of 40+ tutors, comprised of PhD students, MA students, and undergraduate students.

- Our tutors have a vast range of interests and specialties--from composition, technical writing, and literary studies, to art/film theory, professional communication, and creative writing.
Who We Serve:

- The entire GSU community, at all levels--undergrad, grad students, faculty, staff, and alumni.

- All disciplines--from Arts & Humanities to Business...we work with any university member who wants to come and discuss a writing project with us!

- We also serve students and staff who are producing professional materials, like cover letters, resumes, CVs, personal statements (and more)!
What we do:

1. Provide **free** one-on-one tutoring sessions for the GSU community
   - Undergraduates are eligible for 25 minute sessions
   - Graduate students are eligible for 55 minute sessions

2. Organize & host workshops about writing for the University community

3. Synchronous Online Video Appointments through our WriteChat platform.
What We *Don’t* Do:

We don’t have a dropbox where tutees can “drop off their work and pick it up later.

Why? We really believe writing is a collaborative process; so rather than “fixing” writing, we work with writers and work together on their writing.

Function as an editing service/ “fix-it” shop.

Why? Editing is a passive activity, and we are a collaborative writing center. That means, rather than “fixing” grammar concerns, we offer advice and strategies for identifying areas of writing that can be improved and offer some tools and tips for those areas.

Provide writers with “proof” that they came to the studio.

Why? Seeking out tutoring is a private decision that a writer makes. We do not sign any documentation to preserve the integrity and quality of our tutoring sessions.
Don’t forget:
Writing Is Not An Isolated Practice

At the Writing Studio, we know that writing assistance is needed at all stages:

○ Brainstorming
○ Outlining
○ Drafting
○ Organizing
○ Revising
○ Editing

Not to mention—writer’s block, writer frustration, confusion, etc.
Writing as a Graduate Student

What is graduate-level writing? How do I get there?

- Do you have a clear sense of your strengths and weakness as a writer?
- Do you have a writing process that works for you? Do you need to test out different writing processes to find one that works for you?
- Do you take time to plan in advance of writing?
- Or, do you take time to revise after writing?
- Do you have a collaborator/friend/tutor who can read your writing and give you advice?

There is no 1-size-fits-all approach; but good graduate-level writers assess where they are and seek out avenues to continue to grow as writers!
Whether you’re working with MLA, APA, or any other format, citing your sources appropriately and correctly is very important!

Citing sources is stressful sometimes! Here are some general tips to ease your worry:

- Set up your references page first and add sources as you go
- Use our handouts on APA or MLA for guidance
- Use citation generators to get template drafts for your citations, then check your citations for errors
- Highlight all of the source information in your paper
- Read through your paper and make sure you have in-text citations for all sourced material
- Use programs like Zotero to manage your sources!
- Stay organized!
Make your Writing Studio Appointment at 
writingstudio.gsu.edu!

Click the "login" button under schedule and sessions, and it will take you to a page where you can create an account!
Once you log in, you’ll see our schedule of available/unavailable appointments. White box indicates “available”!
After selecting a date and time that works for you, you will complete the "Create New Appointment" Form.

For Online WriteChat appointments, select “Start or Join Online Consultation” at the start time of your appointment.

If you need to cancel or change your appointment, simply log-in and select the appropriate option!