ACCESSING AND USING THE WRITING CENTER

A GUIDE AND INVITATION

The Purdue Global Writing Center offers dynamic, personalized tutoring services and resources for becoming an effective writer. Some services and resources are best utilized with audio; however, text-chat with tutors, closed captions, and transcripts in addition to hundreds of online, printable resources developed for adult, online learners are also available. We invite you to connect with a tutor, submit a paper for review, ask questions, use the resources, join a webinar, and be part of our diverse and supportive learning community. Welcome to the Purdue Global Writing Center!

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ACCESSING THE WRITING CENTER

The Writing Center is located in the Academic Success Center in Purdue Global Campus. The web address to the Writing Center is https://campus2.purdueglobal.edu/page/writing-center. To navigate to the Writing Center, log into Purdue Global Campus. On the homepage, click “My Studies” and select “Academic Success Center” (Figure 1). On the Academic Success Center page, select “Writing Center” on “The Centers” card (Figure 2).

Shortcut: In the Tutoring and Webinars section, you will also find the Live Tutoring Hours and an Ask a Tutor button. Click the Ask a Tutor button to bypass the Writing Center homepage and go directly to Live Tutoring, Paper Review, and Q&A. You can also go directly to the Webinar Calendar and Webinar Archives by clicking the Join a Webinar button. Otherwise, the Writing Center homepage via the Writing Center link also provides access to these services and much more!

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ACCESSING THE WRITING CENTER – CONTINUED

The Writing Center homepage has three sections, and within each are many ways to receive help. From links to tutors who can answer your questions, to resources for independent study, and webinars for group learning, the Writing Center has something for everyone and right when you need it.

1. Writing Center Welcome (Figure 3)
2. Writing Center Tutoring (Figure 4)
   - Live Tutoring Hours
   - Submit a Paper, Project, or Question
   - Connect With a Tutor for Live Tutoring
   - Guides for How to Ask a Tutor
3. Writing Center Resources and Webinars (Figure 5)
   - Writing Resources
   - Join a Webinar
   - Writing Webinars
   - Featured Writing Resources

CONNECTING WITH A TUTOR

Writing Tutors will work one-on-one with you in an audio and video-enabled tutoring café online. Tutoring sessions are recorded and last approximately 20 minutes. Tutors will brainstorm with you, address questions, and review written projects with a focus on one or two key issues to help you work through your writing situation. In the tutoring café, you can share your screen, upload a document, and write on a whiteboard or notepad, and more. Tutoring is open Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday 6-10 PM and Tuesday 12-10 PM ET. Each tutor’s individual hours are given on the tutor’s Cranium Café Card (Figure 6). The Writing Center is closed on University holidays. For the best experience the tutoring café (Figure 7), use the latest version of Chrome available here: [Chrome](#).

On a tutor’s café card, click Knock on Door.

OPEN THE CONNECT WITH A TUTOR GUIDE
SUBMITTING A PAPER OR QUESTION

Writing Tutors will answer your questions and provide feedback on papers at any stage of the writing process. This service is designed to help you build your skills and confidence as an academic writer. The Paper Review service is not an editing, proofreading, or paper correction service. Tutors will identify matters of academic style that need your attention along with other patterns in your writing or areas to address as you revise and edit, and tutors will make suggestions and recommend relevant resources.

To submit a paper or question, click the calendar icon (Figure 8) on the tutor’s café card and complete the scheduler and submission form (Figure 9) to block off time on a tutor’s schedule. **This is not a live meeting.** You will receive your paper review with written and video feedback or the response to your question within two hours of your scheduled time. The Writing Center is closed on University holidays.

**On a tutor’s café card, click Submit Paper or Question.**

![Figure 8. Tutor’s Submit Paper or Question button.](image)

![Figure 9. Paper or question scheduler and submission form.](image)

OPEN THE PAPER/PROJECT REVIEW AND Q&A GUIDE

ACCESSING WEBINARS AND ARCHIVES

The Writing Center hosts live webinars in the Academic Success Center (ASC) Webinar Room. Click the Join a Webinar button on the Writing Center homepage to see the Webinar Calendar (Figure 10) and Writing Webinar archives (Figure 11). Links to upcoming events and recordings are located on the calendar. Recent and featured Writing Workshop recordings are linked to the Writing Webinars card (Figure 5). Please write student.webinars@purdueglobal.edu with general questions about student webinars. Should you require accommodations such as Closed Captioning for live or recorded webinars, please contact the Center for Disability Services (CDS) at cds@purdueglobal.edu.

![Figure 10. Purdue Global Student Webinars Calendar](image)

![Figure 11. Writing Webinar Archives](image)

OPEN THE JOIN A WEBINAR VIDEO GUIDE
WRITING RESOURCES

Become a stronger, more confident, effective, and independent writer with 24-hour access to articles, videos, and podcasts. Writing Resources feature college writing essentials on how to write for an academic or professional audience, how to recognize and avoid plagiarism, and how to write as a process. Also find strategies for critical thinking and reading; researching, using sources, and citation; language learning; online communication and creating presentations.

On the Writing Center homepage, select the Writing Resources button (Figure 12) and browse the Writing Resources categories (Figure 13) or use one of the quick links in the Featured Writing Resources box.

Tip: To save any article as a pdf or download it to your computer, use the Print button (Figure 14) and choose the pdf option on the print window (Figure 15).

OPEN LIST OF TITLES AND LINKS FOR ALL WRITING CENTER RESOURCES

ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNER (ELL) RESOURCES

The Writing Center provides resources on learning and improving fluency in English and writing an essay in English. ELL Resources also include tutorials on troublesome grammar topics such as using articles, prepositions, and verbals.

Personalized ELL support is also available using the Writing Center’s live tutoring service, paper review, and Q&A. Webinars are another way to practice English and ask questions to tutors and peers. The web address to English Language Learner Resources page is https://campus2.purdueglobal.edu/page/english-language-learner-resources.

USE THE ELL OUTREACH FORM TO INVITE AN ELL STUDENT TO THE WRITING CENTER
RESOURCE SHORTCUTS AND QUICKLINKS

You can access Writing Center resources directly from the Academic Success Center (ASC) page, bypassing the Writing Center homepage. In the Study Studio Section of the Academic Success Center (Figure 17), you’ll find a button to the Study Studio that houses Writing Center resources including Effective Writing Podcasts, Graduate Student Research and Writing, and Using Sources and APA. Also find here the Writing With Integrity article that provides the University’s expectations for academic research, professional writing, and avoiding plagiarism. Also find here a button that opens Academic Writer, a software tool for writing in APA style. There is also a button to ASC Links, which goes to the WC Links button opening an alphabetized list of Writing Center pages, articles, videos, and podcasts.

Quick Links to Popular Writing Center Resources

- APA Common Citations
- Creating Effective PowerPoint Presentations
- First-Term Student Resources
- Paragraph Development
- Plagiarism Information
- Podcasts
- Purdue Global Writing Center Public Site
- Using Sources and APA
- Videos
- Viewing a Turnitin OriginalityCheck
- Report What is Plagiarism? (Podcast)
- Writing Fundamentals Resources
- Writing With Integrity

Mission: The Purdue Global Writing Center empowers students and supports faculty by offering positive, holistic feedback through media-rich services and resources. Professional Purdue Global Writing Tutors foster a community of writers and guide students through all facets and stages of the writing process to ensure students have the tools they need to improve their writing skills.