

Writing Center Help for Graduate Students

The Writing Center provides the following help to graduate student writers:

- **Thesis/dissertation help:** You may meet one-to-one with a Writing Center consultant, who will offer constructive feedback designed to help you with your writing processes and written document. 30- or 60-minute conversations (time permitting) may include planning and outlining, organizing the structure of a chapter, learning how to polish a later draft, how to cite sources, and more. If you're stuck and need help getting going again, talking with us will help!
 - In Fall and Spring, this service is offered on a walk-in basis at our Pendergrass Library location. See <https://writingcenter.utk.edu> for hours.
 - In Summer, this service is offered on a walk-in basis at our HSS 212 location. You may have to wait until one of our experienced tutors is available. See <https://writingcenter.utk.edu> for hours.
- **Coursework-related writing help:** If you would like a review of a short portion of a draft (about 7 pages) and/or answers to brief questions you have on a paper you're writing for a course, you may walk in during our open hours in HSS 212. You may have to wait for one of our experienced tutors to be available.
- If your first or strongest language is not English, we can assist you.
 - In Fall and Spring, this help is offered in person at the **ESL Writing Center** in Hodges Library, room 220G. The walk-in and appointment hours and the appointment scheduler are available at <https://utk.mywconline.com>.
 - In summer, this help is available on a walk-in basis in our HSS 212 location; see <https://writingcenter.utk.edu> for hours.
- **Application materials help:** Help with CVs, resumes, personal statements, application cover letters, and teaching statements.
 - In Fall and Spring, this help is available on an appointment basis (in-person and online). The hours and appointment scheduler are available at <https://utk.mywconline.com>.
 - In Summer, this help is available on a walk-in basis in our HSS 212 location; see <https://writingcenter.utk.edu> for hours.
- **Editing/proofreading:** You may request that someone edit your work on a fee basis outside of the Writing Center. To request a freelance editor, use the "Request for Editing" form on the back of this page, and we will try to put you in touch with an experienced editor. You will negotiate the fee directly with that person. While we cannot *guarantee* that we can find a freelance editor for you, we will do our best!
- **Workshops:** We offer various workshops for graduate students each semester. Events will be posted on <https://calendar.utk.edu> and on the Writing Center's website, <https://writingcenter.utk.edu>.

Request for Freelance Editing

If you would like someone to edit your document, the Writing Center will try to find a freelance editor for you. We CANNOT GUARANTEE that someone will be available for editing, but we will try to find someone.

Please be aware that this request is for a private, fee-based service, and the fee will be negotiated between you and the person who edits your document.

Either drop off this form in HSS 212 (the Writing Center), or email the requested information to writingcenter@utk.edu to make your request.

Please provide ALL of the following information:

Date:

Name:

Phone:

Email:

Department:

Date you need the edited document back:

Length of document (# of pages, approximately):

Brief description of subject:

We will contact you within about 48 hours regarding whether or not someone is available to edit your document.

Plan ahead! Please do not expect to get your edited document back in less than a week. Also, depending on the length of your document and the time of the semester, it may take even longer for an editor to complete work on your document.