The Weekly Writer

Please note: Only students, staff, and faculty affiliated with Purdue’s West Lafayette campus are eligible to sign up for our consultation services or group programs.

THINGS TO DO...

Virtual Grad Writers' Rooms
Sep 15 | 3 p.m. - 5 p.m.
Writers' Rooms are dedicated times and places for graduate writers to work on their academic writing projects (e.g., scholarly articles, dissertations, etc.). More information on Grad Writing Events...

Workshop: Improving Cover Letters
Sep 22 | 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Whether you’re applying to a job/internship or crafting your cover letter for future opportunities, we would love to support you as you start, draft, and/or revise. More info on Workshops...

Writing Consultations
Monday-Friday until Dec 18 | 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Our consultants are standing by for face-to-face and remote virtual consultations. You can choose an online (live chat), email (asynchronous email), or a face-to-face appointment. (Limited evening appointments available. Check our online scheduler for more information.) More Information on Consultation Options...

English Conversation Groups

- Monday 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- Tuesday 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- Wednesday 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- Thursday 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- Friday 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

More info on English Conversation Groups...

Statement of Purpose

Your graduate statement of purpose is one of the most important documents in your application packet. A good statement of purpose may not necessarily get you in to a program, but a poorly written one could cause the committee to overlook your application.

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FROM OUR CAMPUS PARTNERS

AAARCC

RealiTea
Tuesdays, 11:00 - 12:00 PM
AAARCC, 915 5th St

Deeply Rooted Dance Theater Residency: Master Class
Sep 16, 6 PM
Register Here

NAECC

Conversations in Indigenous Education
Sep 17, 10:00 - 12:00 PM
STEW 278 - Reservation Required

Land of Big Numbers
Sep 20, 6:00 - 7:00 PM
Register Here

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