

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...

Writing Consultations

Monday-Friday until May 6 | 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Our consultants are standing by for face-to-face and remote, virtual consultations. You can choose an online (live chat), etutoring (asynchronous email), or a face-to-face appointment. There are a limited number of appointments available after 6 pm. Check our online scheduler for more information. More information on our consultation options...

Virtual Graduate Writers' Room

Jan 24 | 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Writers' Rooms are dedicated times for graduate writers to work on their academic writing projects (e.g., scholarly articles, dissertations, etc.). Writers should plan to spend most of the two-hour block in independent writing; however, Writing Lab tutors will be available for very brief, limited consultations if concerns arise during the writing time.

Workshop: Improving Resumés

Feb 9 | 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Applying for an on-campus or off-campus job? Need help getting started or updating your resume? Join us for advice and support.

English Conversation Groups

Starting Jan 31, Monday-Friday

If you are a Purdue University student or scholar whose first language is not English, the Writing Lab's conversation groups are a terrific way to improve your fluency and expand your vocabulary. More info on English Conversation Groups...

- Virtual Monday 10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.
- Tuesday 3:30 p.m. 4:30 p.m.
- Wednesday 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.
- **Thursday** 10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.
- **Friday** 2:30 p.m. 3:30 p.m.

SIGN UP HERE

SPOTLIGHT ON...



How to Use the Writing Lab

If you've never used the Writing Lab before, here's how to get started:

- 1. Make an appointment.
 - Choose Your Preferred Appointment Type:
 - Face-to-Face: in-person meeting
 - Online: log in for a live chat
 - eTutoring: upload a document for review
 - Group Programs: sign up on the group programs schedule

 Choose a writing consultant
 - Choose a writing consultant.
 - All consultants are equally trained, but if you still prefer a graduate or undergraduate consultant you can use filters at the top of our online schedule.
- Choose a time.
 - We suggest hour-long sessions if you're unsure of how much time you might need, use half hour sessions for quick questions. Remember, you can return for another visit.
- 2. Be Prepared for Your Appointment
 - Bring a PUID for check-in
 - Bring your document and any instructor instructions or comments
 - Bring a computer charger
 - Arrive a few minutes early
- 3. Get the Most out of Your Appointment
 - Expect consultations to focus on your document as a whole. Come with questions and expect feedback.
 - In face-to-face appointments, communicate your priorities at the beginning. Share what has worked in the past. If you don't understand the consultant, ask them to explain their thoughts.
 - In online (live chat) appointments, open with your writing concerns. Take advantage of the chat features like drawing, transcripts, and highlighting.
 - In eTutoring (upload a doc for review) appointments, be sure all your concerns are stated clearly in your appointment form. Understand that your consultant will be limited to the time window you selected.

