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.

The Writing Lab will continue to be open for sessions throughout finals week. Following finals week, the Writing Lab will be closed until Maymester begins. This will be the last issue of Weekly Writer until it returns biweekly throughout summer classes.

THINGS TO DO...

Virtual Graduate Writers’ Room
May 2 | 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. Check our online scheduler for more times and programs.

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...

English Conversation Groups
Monday-Friday until April 29

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.

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SPOTLIGHT ON...

Plagiarism: Common Knowledge and Attribution

Generally, common knowledge is information that someone finds undocumented in at least five credible sources. For example, writing is difficult,” is considered common knowledge in the field of composition studies because at least five credible sources can back the claim up.

Remember the golden rule: When in doubt, just cite.

If the citation proves unnecessary or unnecessarily repetitive your instructor or supervisor will inform you.

• For more information, check out the OWL.
• For a one-on-one consultation, sign up for a writing consultation with any of our tutors.

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