

WRITING CENTER

Mission

The writing center offers feedback, coaching, resources, and encouragement to help both graduate and undergraduate students develop strong writing skills that will support their success at Missouri S&T and beyond.

Missouri S&T graduates report that communication skills have been crucial to their professional success, but writing cannot be learned in a single course or semester. Rather, writing proficiency develops throughout a college career and over the course of lifetime. The writing center is a resource for students throughout the process, helping them with classroom writing assignments, job search documents, articles for publication, personal writing projects, and more.

Writing Consultations

Peer writing consultations are the heart of our program and a key part of the academic experience at Missouri S&T. Our consultants are students who represent a wide range of majors. They have been identified by professors and writing center staff as among the best student writers on campus. Each consultant receives intensive and ongoing training to help other students become strong writers as well.

Many hundreds of students seek feedback from our consultants each semester, often for multiple assignments, or even multiple drafts of the same assignment. Consultants work individually with students on all types of documents, including essays, research papers, articles for publication, dissertations, laboratory reports, proposals, résumés, and more. They can help at any stage of the writing process, from understanding the assignment to organizing ideas and revising drafts. The consultants are trained to help students identify areas for improvement and teach them how to make those improvements most effectively.

Additional Services

The writing center offers a range of additional resources for students, including a library of citation style guides, grammar handbooks, and information on writing specific types of documents. We also offer handouts on specific writing topics; these are free, and many are available on our website. We also offer workshops and presentations on specific writing-related topics, including writer's block and crafting resumes.

Writing center facilities and services are available to all Missouri S&T students free of charge. The writing center is currently located in 113 Campus Support Facility. Consultation hours vary each semester, and they are posted on our website at <http://writingcenter.mst.edu>. We now offer face-to-face/in-person, online remote, and asynchronous consultation services. Students are encouraged to use our online scheduling tool to make appointments.