

SPRING 2021 SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

We assist undergraduate and graduate writers with writing projects at any stage of the process—from choosing a topic to drafting to revising. During an appointment, we will talk with you about your goals, review your writing with you, and have a conversation about what next steps you might take. In the process, we can help you learn more about everything from thesis statements and organization to grammar and citation methods. **Please note that our Spring 2021 services are all virtual.**



Virtual Meetings connect students with Writing Center instructors through real-time, face-to-face appointments in WOnline, our online appointment system. Virtual Meeting sessions are scheduled for 40 minutes, plus a 5-minute break for instructors between appointments. A typical Virtual Meeting appointment lasts between 30 to 40 minutes and provides (a) a shared whiteboard area for discussing and revising your draft; (b) small screens that enable conversation through shared video/audio; and (c) a chat area for synchronous, written conversation between you and a Writing Center instructor. The whiteboard and chat areas will remain accessible to you after your appointment, and you can revisit your feedback at any time. Virtual Meetings may be scheduled up to two weeks in advance.



Written Feedback appointments allow students the opportunity to receive written comments and suggestions from a Writing Center instructor. After uploading your draft into WOnline, along with information about your assignment or writing project, you will receive written feedback by the next business day following your scheduled feedback slot. This feedback will remain accessible to you after your appointment, and you can revisit it at any time in WOnline. Written Feedback may be scheduled up to two weeks in advance.



Drop-In Hours are available for 40-minute, same-day virtual appointments with a Writing Center instructor. These Virtual Meetings currently operate in place of our in-person satellite instruction in residence halls, libraries, and multicultural student centers across campus. Drop-in hours are intended for undergraduates who need same-day feedback on short writing assignments. Drop-in hours are offered Sunday through Thursday evenings from 6:15–9:15 PM.



Chat is available for in-the-moment help with scheduling Writing Center appointments, finding out more about our services, and getting answers to quick questions on topics such as how to cite a particular source, when to quote versus when to paraphrase, and more. Chat is available Monday through Friday this semester, as well as on Sunday evenings beginning in Week 4. Visit writing.wisc.edu/chat to access chat and see when we are online.

In addition to our one-to-one appointments, we also offer workshops on topics from Lab Reports to Improving Style, writing groups for undergraduate and graduate students, writing mentorships, and an online Writer's Handbook. To find out more about any of these services, see a full listing of our Spring 2021 hours, or to make an appointment, please visit us on the web.



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