

## Our Services

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The Writing Center provides you with the space, technology, and atmosphere to assist you in the process of composition and revision. Our staff offers expertise based on a variety of experience and cultural backgrounds. Each instructor is equipped with the knowledge and tools to help you learn the process of writing successful college level essays.



### THE WRITING CENTER

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## ROOM 304

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MONDAY	8AM-7PM
TUESDAY	8AM-7PM
WEDNESDAY	8AM-7PM
THURSDAY	8AM-7PM
FRIDAY	8AM-12PM

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## Mission

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The writing experience is unique for every individual. Thus, the Mountwest C&TC Writing Center promotes the development of writing by engaging MCTC students in all aspects of the writing process through the use of individualized instructional sessions. These sessions allow students to acquire the strategies, techniques, and confidence necessary to engage effectively with a variety of writing topics and assignments.

The Mountwest C&TC Writing Center supports the growth and development of staff through the use of best practice teaching and writing methods rooted in the appropriate pedagogical research. The Writing Center serves staff and community college faculty in all disciplines through a variety of workshops, presentations, and conferences concerning writing and we are prepared to collaborate with faculty across campus about writing.

## Your Writing Center Visit

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The following is a brief list of what you can expect on your next visit to the Writing Center:

**\*Please sign in to the logbook:** in order to keep track of Writing Center usage, we keep accurate daily records of student visits.

**\*Have a hard copy of your draft ready to hand to an instructor:** if you only have a digital copy on cloud storage or flash drive, you will be asked to print it out; this facilitates the revision process.

**\*Be prepared to answer a few questions about your essay:** your instructor will need to know as much as possible about the guidelines of the assignment.

**\*Have a copy of the essay instructions ready to give to your instructor:** if you are not following directions in the assignment sheet then your paper will suffer.

**\*Consider reading your essay aloud:** our instructors encourage you to read your own writing in your own voice, either with a trusted friend or in private, but will not pressure you if it makes you uncomfortable.

**\*Your sessions may last from 10 to 30 minutes:** be sure to give yourself enough time in your schedule to visit, which you can do by emailing Jesse Riggs (riggsj@mctc.edu), by calling 304-710-3437, or simply walk-in for an available instructor.

## Your Writing Center Visit (cont.)

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**\*Be aware of the difference between revision and proofreading:** many students would like to treat writing instructors like mechanics, expecting to drop off a paper to get "fixed" and pick it up after class. The function of the Writing Center goes much deeper than correcting typos and errors in grammar usage. The optimal tutoring scenario involves *multiple* visits and many drafts of the same essay, a process that will improve your writing skills beyond any single assignment or academic course.

Feeling comma-tose?

Call the **WC** Hotline: 1-304-710-3437

**We Can help.**