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#### Writing Tutors

The Writing Center tutors are teaching faculty with advanced degrees in English or related fields, and trained, experienced staff tutors with strong educational backgrounds in writing and reading. They are available on a drop-in basis during the hours listed on the front of this brochure.

# Got Questions??? Visit us in L-building, Room 106 Call 301-846-2619 Check our website

www.frederick.edu/student\_services/writingctr.aspx



## The Writing Center

L Building, Room 106



#### FALL/SPRING HOURS

Monday – Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 8:30 p.m. Friday 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Open JanTerm & Summer Sessions: Check our website, call, or stop in for hours.

#### **OUR MISSION**

The Writing Center empowers students to become more effective writers, readers, and critical thinkers.



### Why visit the Writing Center?

- ✓ Get FREE tutoring (up to 30 minutes) for ANY writing or reading assignment, for ANY class—no appointment needed! JUST DROP IN!
- ✓ Work in our computer lab—you can type an essay, check your course's Blackboard site, compose a PowerPoint presentation, and more!
- ✓ Take some useful handouts home with you!
  - How to Write an Effective Thesis Statement
  - o How to Organize an Essay
  - o How to Write an Academic Summary
  - o How to Read and Understand Your Textbook
  - How to Cite Sources in a Research Paper
  - How to Use Commas Correctly
  - And MORE!

#### ✓ What can you do to make the most of your visit?

- Academic reading and writing processes take time and effort, so DON'T WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE BEFORE YOUR PAPER/ASSIGNMENT IS DUE to visit the Center!
- Bring your
  - class syllabus
  - textbook(s)
  - instructor's assignment guidelines
  - copies of your research materials (articles, websites)
  - notes, outlines, and early drafts you've written, though we can still help even if you haven't written ANYTHING yet!



#### ✓ Remember . . .

- Tutors are trained to teach you how to improve your own writing, reading, and thinking skills; expect to be asked lots of questions to help you think about how to improve your work.
- Tutors will not proofread or edit your writing "for" you but will collaborate "with" you, like a coach, to help you improve your skills.
- o Tutors will not suggest a grade for your work.
- You are always, always responsible for your own work.
   Visiting the Center is no guarantee that you will earn a particular grade or write a "perfect" paper.
- Expect to walk away from your session with more motivation, understanding, and confidence.