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## Workshop Descriptions

In addition to our consultation services, the Writing Center also offers a variety of workshops throughout the semester.

Let our writing center staff help you strengthen your writing skills in our our 45 minute workshops. Each workshop includes presentations and activities to help you understand concepts like grammar, formatting, and style.

Curious about what a specific workshop is all about? Click on a workshop title below to be taken to its description.

**[Click here](#) to see our upcoming schedule, or click on the calendar link to see all Writing Center events.**

**We recommend that you register for workshops in advance, but it is not required. [You can register here.](#)**

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### **Annotated Bibliography**

Learn how to evaluate sources and incorporate them into your annotated bibliography.

### **AP Style**

This workshop will cover journalistic writing standards and the *DOs and DON'Ts* of the Associated Press (AP) style.

### **APA Style**

Writers will learn the basics of APA-style, including formatting documents and citing sources.

### **Avoiding Plagiarism**

Writers will learn the basic definitions associated with documentation: *plagiarism, annotation, citation, direct quote, summary, and paraphrase*. They will also practice identifying inadvertent plagiarism in their own writing.

### **Chicago Manual of Style**

Writers will learn and practice the basics of CMS documentation, including both the *Notes/Bibliography* and *Author/Date* methods.

### **Composing a Research Question**

Writers will learn how to transition from topic to research question and how to evaluate your research question to conduct research more efficiently and effectively.

### **Cover Letters**

Don't live in fear of cover letters any longer! This workshop will teach you strategies to write and format this important portion of an application.

### **Critical Reading for Analysis**

In this workshop we will discuss what it means to read critically and learn strategies to evaluate and annotate texts.

### **Essays: The Basics**

Writers will learn and practice some of the basics of college essay-writing.

### **Grammar for Multi-Lingual Writers I**

This workshop will cover prepositions of time, place, and direction.

### **Grammar for Multi-Lingual Writers II**

Writers will learn to use and practice the correct use of articles, clauses, and transitions.

### **Grammar Refresher I**

Learn to avoid common sentence errors like sentence fragments, run-ons, and comma splices.

## **Grammar Refresher II**

Do you dread hearing that your sentences are awkward? This workshop will teach strategies to keep your sentences clear and consistent. It will also cover the use of passive and active voice.

## **Intros, Hooks, & Thesis Statements**

Writers will learn a variety of hooks and practice using prompts to compose working thesis statements and composing effective introductions to thesis-driven essays.

## **MLA Style**

Writers will learn the basics of MLA-style, including formatting and citing sources.

## **MLA vs. APA**

Is one instructor asking for MLA and another for APA? Come to this workshop to learn the differences between these two formatting styles.

## **Quoting, Paraphrasing, & Summarizing**

Writers will learn and practice some basic strategies for using direct quotes and paraphrasing, and practice using a five-part system to ensure that documentation of sources is complete.

## **Punctuation!**

Do you feel uncomfortable with commas or wonder what to do with semi-colons? This session will discuss all types of punctuation to help improve your sentences.

## **Revising, Editing, and Proofreading**

Writers will learn the difference between revising, editing, and proofreading. After practicing a variety of strategies, writers will leave with revisions to their own text. Writers are encouraged to bring a paragraph or short passage from their own writing to work with.

### **Synthesis**

This workshop will cover common ways to synthesize ideas and document your sources.

### **Top Ten Grammar Mistakes**

This workshop covers some of the most common grammar mistakes made in writing and how to avoid them.

### **Topic Sentences, Paragraphs, & Conclusions**

Writers will learn and practice creating effective paragraph breaks, identifying paragraphs' purposes, and composing effective conclusions.

### **Understanding Writing Assignments**

Unclear about what your instructor expects? Having trouble understanding the rubric? This workshop will help you break down writing assignment instructions and help you write essays that fulfill your instructor's requirements.

### **UNLV Writes!**

An open lab for ENG 102 & 114 students. Librarians and writing consultants will be present to help you with writing and research.

### **Verb Tense Review I & II**

Are you unsure whether to use an infinitive or present progressive? Do you remember what the *perfect* tense is? Stop by to brush up on how the different tenses are used.

### **Writing about Literature**

Writers will learn and practice strategies for close reading, identifying literary elements of texts, composing questions about literature, and composing a working thesis.

**Writing Effective Arguments**

Writers will learn and practice identifying evidence and composing fallacy-free arguments.

**Writing Scholarship Applications**

In this workshop, we will review common essay prompts and learn strategies to compose a successful scholarship letter.

**Writing a CV**

How does a Curriculum Vitae (CV) differ from a resume? Come to this workshop to find out! We'll also discuss the purpose and structure of a CV and identify skills to include in your vitae.

**Writing a Personal Statement**

Learn to tailor your personal statement to fit the intended genre, audience, and purpose. We'll also practice analyzing and responding to prompts.

**Writing a Research Paper**

Writers will learn and practice developing research questions, turning research questions into working thesis statements, and using evidence-based argument.

**Writing Timed Essays**

Do you dread in-class essays or proficiency exams? In this session, you'll learn strategies that can help you write a solid paper in limited time.

**Writing to Analyze**

Writers will learn how to analyze texts and identify rhetorical devices

**Writing with Style I & II**

Learn how to write more concisely and use a variety of sentences.

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