

Writing/Study Skills Center FAQ

Do I need an appointment to come in to the center?

It depends on which location you go to and when you want to come in. You do not need an appointment at North Campus or Health Sciences Campus, or on Main Campus from 8 – 11:40 am on Monday through Friday, but you will need an appointment to come in at Main Campus during the afternoons, evenings, or on Saturdays.

What can you help me with in the Study Skills Center?

We can help you discover and use your particular learning style to make learning new information from class easier and more efficient for you. We can also help you improve your reading comprehension and reading speed and can help you prepare for tests. In addition, we can help with note-taking, time management, overall test-taking, and other general study strategies.

How can I discover my learning style?

At the Study Skills Center, we use a Learning Styles inventory that is based on the Myers-Briggs Type Indicator personality assessment. Based on your responses to certain statements, we can determine where you fall in regards to the 16 types of people defined by Carl Jung's psychological theory. Each of these types has its own unique preferred ways of learning. For example, some people do their best thinking "out loud," while others need to reflect quietly to themselves. You can make an appointment to have your learning style done by calling 866-5276. The type analysis form to bring with you to your appointment can be found at <http://ilc.waketech.edu/typeanalysis.pdf>.

Can I come into the Writing Center for classes other than English?

Since we help you improve your writing skills in general, you can come in with writing from any course offered at Wake Technical Community College. As long as you are a currently enrolled student, we can also help you with out-of-class writing such as resumes, college application essays, etc. In addition, you can come to the center without any piece of writing at all if you need help getting your thoughts together or just want to brush up on your language skills. We also encourage you to bring in graded papers to help locate typical grammar and structural issues that you may have.

Can you proofread my paper?

We can go over your paper, looking for overall grammar and content issues, and then discuss how to fix those kinds of problems using similar sentences. If requested, we can also "code" your paper in the margins, using the codes from the Rules for Writers handbook to help you locate errors. However, we cannot mark in your paper or tell you how to fix specific, individual errors.