

HONORS WRITING CENTER HELP FOR THESIS STUDENTS

The Writing Center is a great place to come if you need more support on your thesis or can't meet with your advisor. We recommend making multiple appointments to talk about your thesis. It's an ambitious project; we can't be helpful if we don't spend a lot of time with you and your work.

Here are some things to consider:

Choose a tutor who is as close as possible to your major field of study. However, note that this might not be possible.

- Come ready to explain terminology that your tutor might not know.
- Your tutor might not be in the thesis stage yet, so be aware and patient about that.

Make an initial 30-minute appointment to talk to your tutor about your thesis. Our online scheduler can be accessed here: https://pdx.mywconline.net/ Some questions to answer might be:

- What is your discipline?
- What is your topic?
- What citation style does your field use?
- What are the key frameworks in your research?
- What is your timeline for writing and what are your key deadlines?

After the first consultation, make one hour appointments in advance. Make sure to share your draft with your tutor prior to your appointment so they can read it and come prepared to help.

Before each appointment, talk to your tutor about your goals for the session

For Prospectus it might be:

- Brainstorming (including the thesis topic)
- Outlining
- Drafting the Prospectus
- Creating a timeline

Or for Continuation it could be:

- Proofreading (a page range or section)
- Interpreting or integrating feedback
- Reading aloud
- Drafting the thesis presentation

Please remember that we are not here to judge your work (you're the expert!) but to collaborate on it. Peer review is an important part of the research process.

We're excited to work with you and congrats on making it to the thesis stage!

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