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Visit our LibGuides
to check out our resources:
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MISSION: The Melbourne Writing Center of Eastern Florida State College provides one-on-one consultations and small-group workshops to advise and assist the EFSC community of writers within any discipline and throughout any stage of the writing process by way of a supportive, comfortable environment to create independent writers with strong essential skills.
Did You Know?

**We love feedback!**

**Take Our Poll**

**Internet Scavenger Hunt**
If we created an assignment that required students to answer questions about what information is available on the Writing Center’s LibGuides, would you be interested in using it?

Visit the link below to share your response!

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CZST7VZ

**Request New Materials**

Have you seen a pattern in your students' writing that needs to be addressed?

Do you have an idea for a new handout that would be useful for your students?

Would you like to see a certain combination of information in a presentation?

Email Kathryn Morgan! morgank@easternflorida.edu

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**Meet Part-Time Writing Consultant**

**Stephen Smith**

Stephen Smith has lived in Melbourne for four years, but is originally from Birmingham, Alabama. He graduated from the University of Alabama with a Bachelor's of Fine Arts in English with concentrations in Creative Writing and Political Science. After a job in the insurance world, Stephen wanted to find work in the academic sphere. He enjoys helping people find their voice and put it on paper. His hobbies include enjoying sports, playing guitar, and pretending he cooks well.

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The Writing Center provides workshops covering a variety of topics. Workshops offer full lessons by writing consultants on common topics relevant to writing. We are flexible and will work with you regarding when and where you’d like the workshop to be held.

**Introductory Workshops:**

**Writing Center Commercial** is a five minute workshop that introduces services offered at the writing center for our students.

**Writing Resources/LibGuides Workshop** is a 5-15 minute presentation showing students the location of the Writing Center’s LibGuides and the online resources we offer.

**Writing Workshops:**

The **Research Writing Workshop** focuses on the importance of planning for research assignments. Writing consultants guide students through what steps students should take when planning, such as creating a realistic schedule, brainstorming and preliminary research, researching in the database, connecting and organizing ideas, and formulating a proper outline. After the presentation, students will be able to apply these concepts to methodically (and calmly) approach a research assignment.

The **Annotated Bibliography Workshop** takes students through the step-by-step process of creating an annotated bibliography for their research assignments. Students will be able to independently format their reference/works cited page and generate annotations for their sources.

The **Avoiding Plagiarism Workshop** provides guidance on how to properly cite within their text. By the end of the presentation, students will be able to properly paraphrase and incorporate quotes following MLA or APA guidelines.

The **Writing about Literature Workshop** introduces techniques on how to properly present ideas about literature in an academic paper, while utilizing MLA style. During this workshop, students will learn the conventions of formally writing about literature.

The **Compare and Contrast Workshop** shows students how to organize a compare and contrast paper. During this workshop, students will learn to create a thesis reflecting what they are comparing and contrasting and organize their paper point-by-point and subject-by-subject.
**Formatting Workshops:**

**APA or MLA Workshops** provide an in-depth lesson on the format of your choice. You may opt to have the students work along with the presentation on computers. You may also choose to include our reference librarians in this workshop to show your students how to navigate through the databases. During this workshop, students will use Microsoft Word to format headers and create the first page(s) of a mock assignment to save as a template. Work cited/reference pages are also completed as part of the exercise.

The **APA Textbook Workshop** is an interactive presentation, which guides students step-by-step through citing their textbooks on their APA reference page. At the end of this workshop, students will have a complete citation for their textbook.

**Grammar Workshops**

The **Self Editing Workshop** provides tips to avoid common grammatical mistakes. Students will be able to utilize these tips and apply them to their paper to improve fluency.

The **Commas Workshop** provide an in-depth tutorial that teaches students how to properly use commas within their sentences.

The **Sentence Structure Workshop** provides tips to avoid common mistakes when forming a sentence. Students will learn how to correct run-ons, fragments, and comma splices to improve fluency within their papers.

The **Sentence Variety Workshop** teaches students how to use a healthy combination of long and short sentences to make their writing more approachable, professional, and readable. Students will learn to vary the length of their sentences to improve overall flow in their writing.

The **Special Punctuation** Workshop teaches students common uses for special punctuation. Students will be able to properly incorporate colons, semicolons, and dashes into their writing.

To schedule a workshop for your class(es), email Sharon Cronk-Raby at cronk-rabys@easternflorida.edu

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