

GSAS Writing Studio Opportunities

GSAS Writing Studio consultants support the dissertation-writing work of their fellow graduate students in several ways: by facilitating peer groups; leading workshops and other programming; and meeting with writers in one-on-one conferences. Consultants receive formal training and work closely with the Director of the GSAS Writing Studio. Rather than editing or correcting, consultants support writers in conferences by listening, helping them to clarify and articulate ideas, and offering concrete drafting and revision strategies drawn from the consultant's own writing experience as well as from staff-development trainings. Consultants also facilitate dissertation-writing groups and help lead and develop the Studio's writing-support programming.

Requirements:

- A demonstrated interest in writing-related pedagogy;
- A strong commitment to fostering supportive connections among graduate students;
- Availability to work on campus as soon as Columbia has fully re-opened;
- Ability to attend a staff orientation; as well as regular staff development meetings (bi-weekly, on Fridays)

Special consideration will be paid to applicants who:

- Have held positions at Columbia with the Center for Teaching and Learning and/or the Writing Center;
- Have experience as a consultant or peer tutor at other graduate or undergraduate writing centers;
- Have taught a writing course or have taken a course on writing pedagogy;
- Contribute to the diversity of the Writing Studio staff.

Though all Studio consultants share similar peer-leadership responsibilities, the Studio staff is drawn from two distinct hiring lines: hourly consultants; and Writing Studio Fellows.

Writing Studio Fellows:

- Must be a rising 6th-year student funded by a GSAS Teaching Fellowship (Humanities and Social Sciences);
- Have explicit DGS support and GSAS approval for this alternate assignment;
- Have a responsibility to the Studio of 20 hours/week;
- Are expected to work during January and Spring Break Dissertation-Writers' Retreats, in exchange for compensatory time off at times approved by the Director.

Hourly Consultants:

- Receive a rate of \$25/hour;
- Are expected to work in the Studio between 5-10 hours a week (Please note the [time limits associated with specific doctoral student fellowships.](#))

Interested applicants should write gsas-writingstudio@columbia.edu for more information.

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