## Writing Center Newsletter

#### **AUGUST 2025**

The Official Newsletter of the Mt. SAC Writing Center



## Welcome to Fall 2025, Mt. SAC Faculty & Staff!

We hope you all had a restful summer break and are having a smooth start to Fall semester! We are launching our 1<sup>st</sup> issue of the 2025-2026 academic year, as well as a few new Writing Center updates.

As some of you are aware, the Writing Center got a remodel in Spring 2025, but we were still waiting on the finalizing of our back lab classrooms. However, those were just completed and ready for student use as of Fall 2025. We have two rooms: a quiet study area and a Hyflex (hybrid-flexible) classroom.

Another important remodeled space is our Writing Center website (pictured above). Thanks to Hanna Kim from IT, we have a newly redesigned and more user friendly website for our students, staff, and faculty to access.

Please read through to stay informed of other great services and events.

-Writing Center Team!

## In this newsletter you can expect:

New Website
Design
launched!

<u>Asynchronous</u> <u>Feedback</u>

<u>In-class</u> <u>workshops</u>

New spaces in the Center for students!

<u>"Visualize Your</u> <u>Success": Vision</u> Board Event





#### **Faculty Resources**

The Writing Center website is a great place to find access to some of our faculty-specific services, such as our Classroom Orientation Request Form, Embedded Tutor Request Form, Writing Specialist Referral Form, and our lovely Prompt Feedback Service. You can also find a more comprehensive resource list via our Faculty Welcome Packet <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a> or via the QR code to the right.





#### Student Service: Asynchronous Feedback

Designed for students who don't have the time or means to meet with a tutor in-person or via Zoom, asynch feedback is a popular resource for students. This process asks that they submit their writing assignment and prompt for review, and one of our trained tutors spends 30 minutes going over their work and providing feedback for improvement. They can submit as many times as they need for improvement and feedback.

Feedback is usually returned same day or within 24-72 hours during high times of traffic.

To find our submission form, please visit <u>our website</u> and find this maroon Asynch Feedback button on the homepage:

Asynch Feedback



Faculty Service: In-Class Workshops

Our in-class workshops provide a convenient way to bring expert writing support directly into your classroom—whether via Zoom or in-person at your regular class time, or in the Writing Center. We can deliver any of our catalog of workshops or we can create something tailored to your needs.

Our workshops are interactive and engaging, providing both instruction and opportunities for students to ask questions and practice what they've learned. The workshops are ideal for reinforcing key writing concepts and offering your students the chance to build practical writing skills in a collaborative setting.

Email Trista Payte at tpayte@mtsac.edu to schedule!

### Quiet Study Room @ the WC

The Writing Center's 1555 room has been remodeled and transformed into a quiet work space for students to work, study, relax, or just be in a cool, calm place in between classes.

There are individual work spaces and couches with dividers that are available in the room (pictured to the right). Each seat has charging stations for student use.





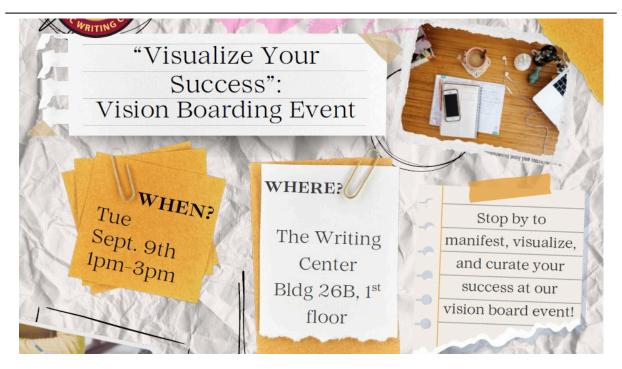


## HyFlex Lab @ the WC

The Writing Center's 1563 classroom is now a hybrid-flexible lab that contains a laptop cart for students to use.



This lab is prioritized for our Writing Center orientations, in-person workshops, and for use by our Dedicated Writing Specialists (DS) and In-Center Specialists who use it for group tutoring sessions.



#### First Writing Center Fall Event

<u>"Visualize Your Success":</u>
<u>Fall Vision Boarding Event</u>
on Tuesday, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> from 1-3pm

As a way to kick start this Fall semester, we are hosting a vision board event where students can manifest and curate their vision for success in this academic year and beyond. We will provide poster boards, crafting activities, magazines for cutting out words and images, and snacks! Please encourage students to attend this event and get motivated for a successful Fall semester. Faculty and staff are invited too! We hope to see you there.

For more info, please email Sophia O'Brien at sobrien3@mtsac.edu

# To find past WC Newsletters, please visit: <a href="https://www.mtsac.edu/writingcenter/social-media.html">https://www.mtsac.edu/writingcenter/social-media.html</a>

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