Looking Back at 2016-17

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We are curious about our work with fellow Rollins students:

Which courses/departments do students make appointments with our peer educators?

What happens in our writing consultations?

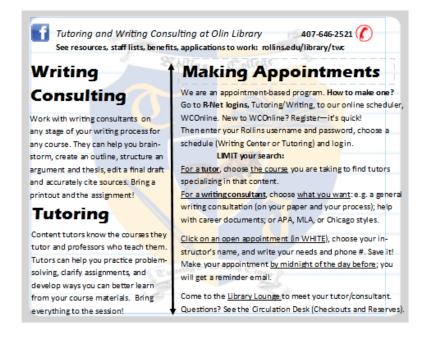
What do we know about our student clients?

What do they like, or not, about their time with us?

When in their college career do they come for assistance?

Which professors require students to make appointments with tutors or consultants?

The online session reports in *WCOnline* give us rich data to mine for answers to these questions. Some answers come from students' registration data: home language, first semester at Rollins College, graduation year. All the other data comes from the online session reports that tutors and writing consultants fill out during or after each of their appointments. (Students and professors receive these reports by email.)



2016-17

Combined: 5745 sessions

Tutoring: 3105 54% of total

Top Ten Departments: 80% of total

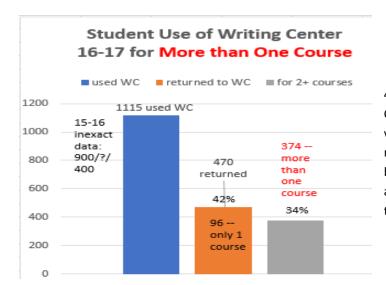
BUS and INB: 15% SPN, GMN, FRN: 25%

Writing Center: 2642 46% of total

Top Ten Departments: 62% of total

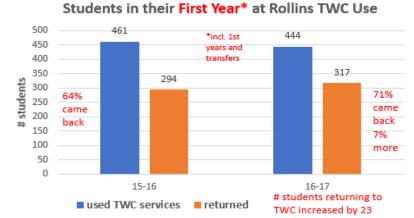
ENG: 22%~12% for ENG 140

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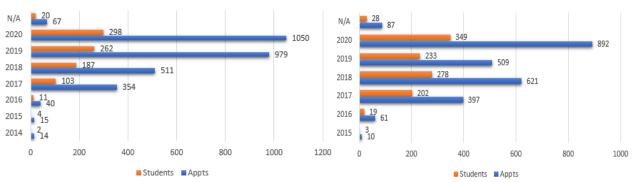
470 students returned to the Writing Center after an initial visit, a sign of our value to them. Even more telling is their return to us not just for that first course but for other courses as well, this year amounting to 34% of those who used the Writing Center at all.

We try to get students to see their peers for help with learning early in their time at Rollins. Although slightly fewer came to the TWC compared to last year, 23 more students in their first year came back to tutoring or the Writing Center after an initial visit.



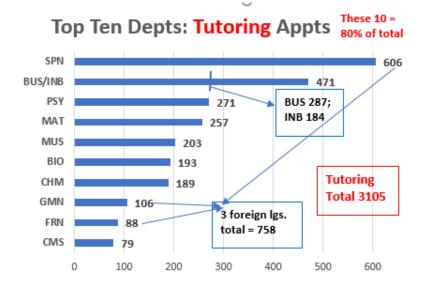
Tutoring Appts by Grad Year 16-17

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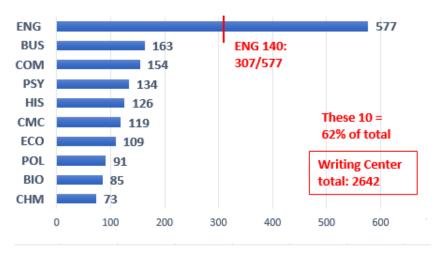
Tutoring appointments have always decreased as students progress in the college careers, but they never disappear. 300- and 400-level courses impose greater demands on students, both in learning and in writing about their learning. Third-year students using tutors went 2.7 times vs. 2.2 times for the Writing Center; and for 4th-year students, the ratio was 2.9 to 2.0. That trend exists in all cohorts; fewer students use tutoring but they come more often.

Writing Center appointments dropped off in students' second year but increased in their third year. Research we did with librarians shows that students in upper-level courses feel they need refreshers in conducting effective research and turning that into paper projects, one logical explanation for this trend.



Students taking courses in these 10 departments make appointments early. Quantitative and language courses require students to demonstrate their understanding from day one. Problem sets, grammar exercises, lab reports and frequent quizzes propel students to see the tutors in our center.



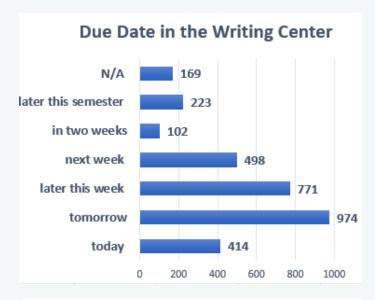


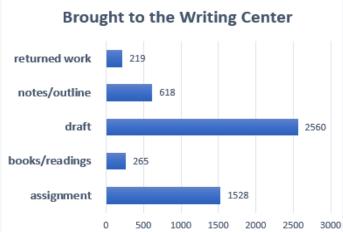
English courses comprise 22% of Writing Center sessions; first-year writing courses are half of those at 11%. Our peer writing consultants spend almost 80% of their time with students in courses across the curriculum.

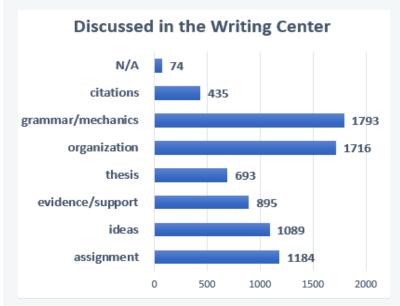
Top Ten Combined Tutoring & Writing



Students in certain departments see both content tutors and writing consultants. Others tend towards one or the other. Some tutors help with papers; professors in some tutorheavy departments also require papers (e.g. biology, biology, economics).





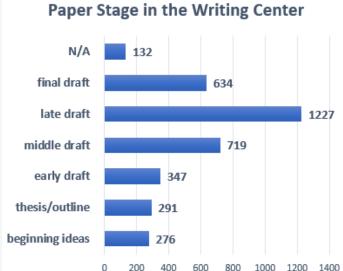


WRITING CENTER SESSIONS

Writing centers and tutoring programs strive to help students understand and improve their learning and writing processes. The categories shown in these bar charts remind students of everything involved in learning in college courses. They also act as prompts to follow as tutors and consultants conduct their sessions.

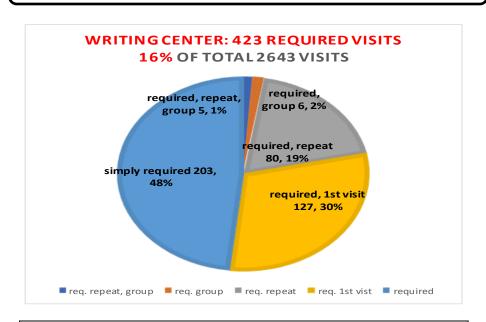
The paper prompt and its due date are major drivers of consultations, as are the strengths of the student's draft as well as the needs that emerge as the consultant reads and questions the writer for clarification. Even if a draft is incomplete, the discussion can still involve citations and grammar, though big picture issues (thesis, evidence, organization) dominate at earlier stages.

In our crash and ongoing training, we try to get our peer writing consultants on the same page so our data is meaningful. The student writers benefit from hearing from a trained reader where they are in the research and writing process. This data helps us see the big picture.



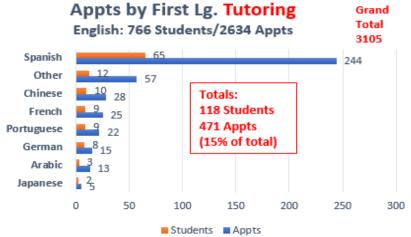
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Required Visits to the Writing Center...



...as reported by writing consultants in their online session reports. We like to know who's requiring visits so we can remind them to give their students enough time to book their appointments. We also talk with peer consultants about some of the challenges with students who may resent being forced to come. But we know that once they come, they just might come back for the same paper or another one!

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	303	1	Morrison		389	1	Stephenson		255L	7	Harris
	400	1	Stone	GBH	310	1	Kline		301	3	Migetz
ECO	202	2	Baranes	ICE	200S4	1	Bernal		680	1	Griner
	304	1	Voicu	ICE	300	1	Myers		695	1	Homrich
	306	16	Kypraios	IMW	100S1	3	Klemann	RCC		3	Simmons
	308	4	Voicu		200S1	8	Sutherland			1	Tatari
	351	4	Taylor		301	1	Barnes			1	Yao
	370	2	Kozel	INB	200	1	Kupetz			33	Tillmann
	404	3	Kypraios		337	1	Fetscherin			4	Harte Weyant
ENG	140	1	K. Winet	INTL	602	1	Conway			1	Vidovic
	140	2	Coffae	MGT	312	1	Arnold			1	Brandon
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	140	1	Nordstrom	MLS	520	1	Tillmann			15	Queen
	140	1	Aggarwal	MM	100S2	1	Fokidis			2	Zelaya-Leon
	140	29	Littler		150A6	2	Archard			8	Miller
	140	1	V. Brown		150C2	2	Norris			1	Crozier
	140	1	Simmons		200A1	1	Cooperman			1	Norris
	140	1	K. Winet		200S2	26	Wanderley	fFLA	100	2	Strom
	225	1	Coffae	PED	101	1	Morris	THE	201	3	DiQuattro
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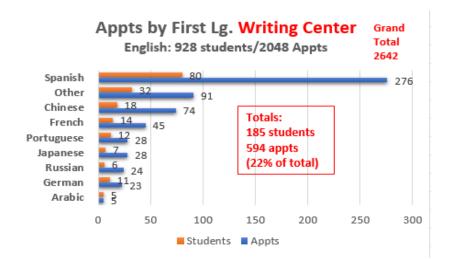




STUDENTS WHOSE HOME LANGUAGE (L1) IS NOT ENG-LISH

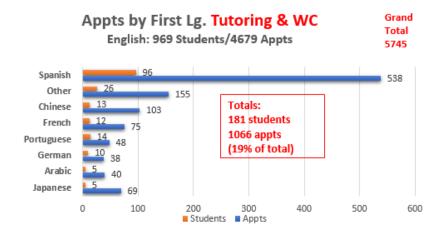
How often do they use tutoring and writing consulting services?

Of the 1150 Rollins students who visited our peer tutors or writing consultants, 185 listed their home language (1st language, L1) as different from English.



The bar graphs and the table on the next page indicate how many students in each first language came for how many sessions.

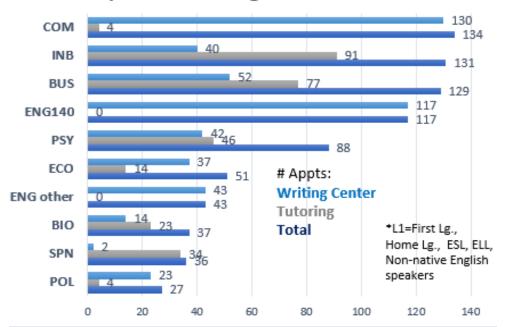
The table shows us that they average between .6 and 1.1 more sessions per year than do native English speakers. We realize, though, that some students visited only once or twice while others came 20 or more times.



We know that these students depended on these appointments with peer tutors or consultants for guidance and feedback.

Remember that tutoring for 3 foreign languages made up 25% of all tutoring sessions. Students of all first languages need help!

Top 10 for NOT English L1* Students



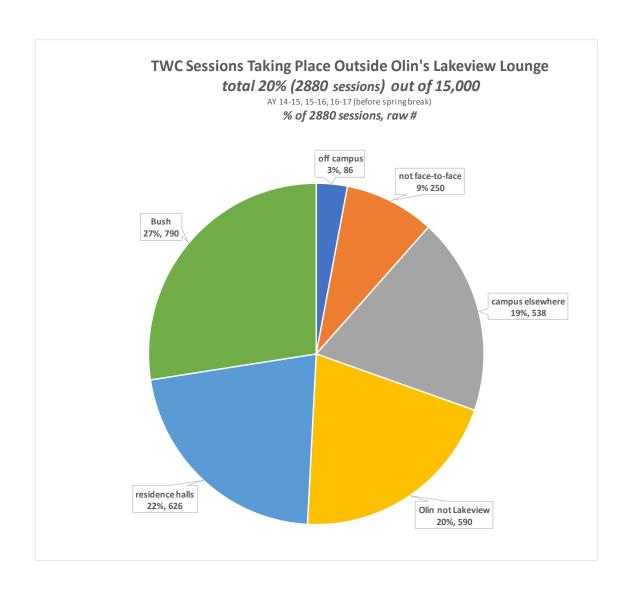
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185	1066	5.9		118	471	4		185	594	3.2
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What this data does NOT tell us:

This "Home language" designation in students' profiles captures both 1.5 generation students who were born or came to the U.S. and went to American schools and who are bilingual, perhaps unevenly, speaking another language with family and perhaps friends. Of course it captures international students on F-1 students visas as well. But we do not know who of these 185 students fits into which category.

We do not know whether the F-1 students were educated in English-medium schools abroad or if they came directly from abroad or had gone to school in the US or what their English proficiency in reading and writing is or what their academic abilities are or the effectiveness of their study behaviors. We also do not know the outcome of their appointments with us, or how they affected these students' skills and grades. There is a lot we don't know.

Some of these questions can be better researched when we start using the EAB/SSC program in 2018-19, since it will connect our activity with Banner.



OFF-SCHEDULE AND OFFSITE APPOINTMENTS 2016-17

1725 appointments were **off-schedule**, **30%** of this year's total.

1285 sessions were coded **offsite**, so **22%** of the total were not held in the Lakeview Lounge of Olin Library. This is about the same as the above calculations for the past (almost) three years of our time in Olin Library.

Of those offsite appointments, 998 (58%) were also off-schedule, so more than half of all unscheduled appointments were also not held in our traditional meeting area. Makes sense!

Results of 683 Student Surveys of our 5745 sessions

After every session, students receive a link in an email to this online evaluation. The surveys are anonymous, but in searching for a specific tutor or consultant's data, we can see only those surveys about him or her. We process the information in individual conferences and in staff meetings. We appreciate hearing such positive feedback from student clients and particularly like the comments that students type in response to these prompts: "What I learned in my session," and "What I liked the most, the least, and/or other comments."

I LEFT MY SESSION FEELING...

encouraged	570	83.46%	
confused	4	0.59%	
grateful	462	67.64%	
blah	8	1.17%	
satisfied	497	72.77%	
inspired	299	43.78%	
judged	1	0.15%	
engaged	365	53.44%	
informed	443	64.86%	
bossed around	1	0.15%	
irritated	5	0.73%	
disappointed	11	1.61%	

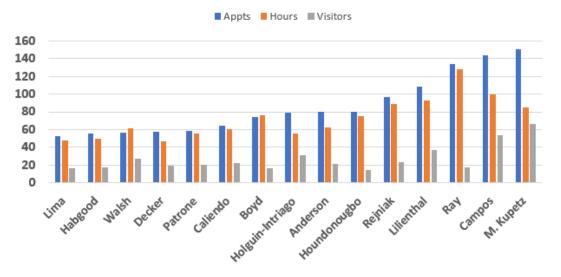
CHECK ANY WORDS THAT APPLY TO YOUR SESSION OR YOUR TUTOR/CONSULTANT

critical (+)	266	38.95%
productive	592	86.68%
on time	468	68.52%
respectful	533	78.04%
good questions	287	42.02%
knowledgeable	536	78.48%
challenging	78	11.42%
impatient	4	0.59%
waste of time	10	1.46%
too much info	2	0.29%
critical (-)	3	0.44%
unfocused	3	0.44%

I WILL RECOMMEND MY TUTOR OR WRITING CONSULTANT.

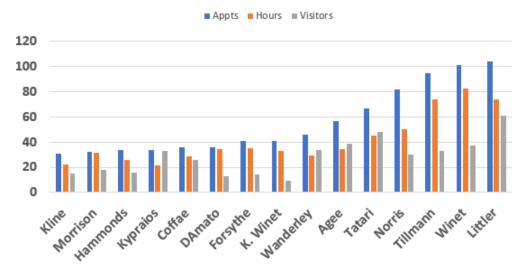
Maybe	17	2.49%	
No	11	1.61%	
Yes	648	94.88%	

Tutoring Top 15 by Professor



<u>Foreign languages:</u> Lima, Decker, Holguin-Intriago, Lilienthal, Campos and M. Kupetz; <u>Chemistry and Biology</u>: Habgood, Walsh, Patrone; <u>Mathematics</u>: Anerson, Boyd, Rejniak; <u>Business</u>: Caliendo, Houndonougbo; <u>Psychology</u>: Ray (Statistics)

Writing Center Top 15 by Professor



<u>Anthropology</u>: Kline; <u>Business</u>: Agee; <u>Chemistry</u>: Wanderley; <u>Communication</u>: Hammonds, Morrison; <u>Critical Media and Culture Studies</u>: Tillmann; <u>Economics</u>: Kypraios; <u>English</u>: Coffae, Forsythe, K. (and R.) Winet, Littler; <u>History</u>: Norris; <u>Political Science</u>: Tatari; <u>Religion</u>: D'Amato

Tutoring and Writing Center Usage by Department 2016-17

(RCC and rFLA course usage incorporated into departments. See the more detailed chart on the next two pages for these numbers and the bar charts on the last page.

	Tutor	Writing	Total	
ANT	4	72	76	ANT
ARH	5	27	32	ARH
BACS		14	14	BACS
всн		10	20	всн
BIO	193	85	278	BIO
BUS	287	163	450	BUS
снм	189	73	262	снм
CHN	43	8	51	CHN
СМС	27	119	146	СМС
CMS	79	18	97	CMS
сом	28	154	182	сом
CPY		15	15	CPY
DAN		4	4	DAN
ECO	71	109	180	ECO
EDU	3	30	33	EDU
EDUGK	19	2	21	EDUGK
ENG	6	577	583	ENG
ENV	30	47	77	ENV
FRN	88	4	92	FRN
GBH		37	37	GBH
GMN	106		106	GMN
нсм		5		нсм
HIS	7	126	133	HIS
HON				HON
ICE				ICE
IMW				IMW
INAF	1	11	12	INAF
INB	184	51	235	INB

	Tutor	Writing	Total	
INT 200	6	26	32	INT 200
JPN	23		23	JPN
LAT	8	1	9	LAT
MAT	257	2	259	MAT
MGT		43	43	MGT
MHR		26	26	MHR
MKT		4	4	MKT
MLS	1	11	12	MLS
MM				MM
MUS	203	34	237	MUS
PED	1	16	17	PED
PERS ST			6	PERS ST
PHI	35	43	78	PHI
PHY	42	13	55	PHY
POL	15	91	106	POL
PSY	271	134	405	PSY
RCC				RCC
REL	3	66	69	REL
RESUME		18	18	RESUME
rFLA				rFLA
SEB	3	27	30	SEB
soc	26	46	72	soc
SPN	606	13	619	SPN
SWAG	1	1	2	SWAG
THE	1	73	74	THE
TPJ	7	5	12	TPJ
WCC				WCC

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BACS						14		14	14	14	BACS
BCH		10						10	10	20	BCH
BIO		178	15	193		50	35	85	238	278	BIO
BUS		287		287	2	160	1	163	447	450	BUS
СНМ		177	12	189	1	14	58	73	191	262	СНМ
CHN		43		43	8			8	43	51	CHN
CMC	9	18		27	48	69	2	119	86	146	CMC
CMS		79		79		12	6	18	91	97	CMS
COM		28		28	2	149	3	154	177	182	COM
CPY						15		15	15	15	CPY
DAN						4		4	4	4	DAN
ECO	3	66	2	71	4	97	8	109	163	180	ECO
EDU		3		3	1	18	11	30	21	33	EDU
EDUGK		19		19		2		2	21	21	EDUGK
ENG		6		6	14	549	14	577	555	583	ENG
ENV		26	4	30		46	1	47	72	77	ENV
FRN		88		88		4		4	92	92	FRN
GBH						37		37	37	37	GBH
GMN	26	80		106		0			80	106	GMN
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HIS	1	6		7	28	75	23	126	81	133	HIS
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LAT		8		8		1		1	9	9	LAT
MKT		0				4		4	4	4	MKT
MLS		1		1		11		11	12	12	MLS
MM		19				102			121		MM
MUS		203		203	1	15	18	34	218	237	MUS
PED		1		1		16		16	17	17	PED
PERS ST		0				6			6	6	PERS ST
PHI		34	1	35	10	21	12	43	55	78	PHI
PHY		39	3	42		10	3	13	49	55	PHY
POL	2	13		15	16	66	9	91	79	106	POL
PSY	4	266	1	271	24	88	22	134	354	405	PSY
RCC		72				165			237		RCC
REL	2	1		3	41	16	9	66	17	69	REL
RESUME		0				18		18	18	18	RESUME
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SEB		3		3		27		27	30	30	SEB
soc		23	3	26	9	29	8	46	52	72	SOC
SPN	16	590		606		13		13	603	619	SPN
SWAG		1		1		1		1	2	2	SWAG
THE	1	0		1	7	15	51	73	15	74	THE
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WCC		14				85			99		WCC

RCC Tutoring Appts. by Dept. 16-17

