GW Resources for International Students

Academic Resources

EAP Writing Support Program:
http://gwulceapwriting.checkappointments.com/#GWTigerScreen_1

The EAP (English for Academic Purposes) Writing Support Program offers a free, one-on-one, service for current GWU students with non-English backgrounds during regular semesters. Tutors are available during any stage of the writing process to work on audience, brainstorming, citation, drafting, evidence, grammar, organization and flow, outlining, paragraphing, revision, thesis, and tone. In addition they are trained to provide focused support for non-native speakers.

- Sponsor: Language Center
- Location: Phillips Hall 210B (801 22nd St. NW)
- Contact: 202-994-6333; language@gwu.edu

EAP Writing Support Online Chat Program:
https://languagecenter.columbian.gwu.edu/eap-writing-support-online-chat-program

Tutors are available during limited evening hours to help answer specific grammar and syntax related questions international students may have. A single session for the EAP Writing Support Online Chat Program is scheduled for up to a 15-minute time period, and a student can sign up to two 15-minute sessions within a day.

- Sponsor: Language Center
- Location: Online
- Hours: Mondays: 9pm-10pm; Tuesdays: 9pm-10pm; Wednesdays: 9pm-10pm; Thursdays: 8pm-9pm
- Contact: 202-994-6333; language@gwu.edu

EAP Conversation Support Program:
http://checkappointments.com/emb/2955?#WELCOME

This program's aim is to improve GWU EAP students' speaking skills through guided conversation. This program consists of one hour sessions with one (1) EAP tutor facilitating conversation with four (4) EAP students in order to improve their speaking skills. A student can make one appointment per day, twice per week.

- Sponsor: Language Center
- Location: Phillips Hall 216 (801 22nd St. NW)
- Contact: 202-994-6333; language@gwu.edu

ESIA International Dialogue Program:
https://elliott.gwu.edu/international-dialogue-program

The International Dialogue Program is a tutor program specifically to Elliott School international graduate students. It provides one-on-one sessions with a local Elliott School graduate student, and the session content is flexible to the international student’s goals.

- Sponsor: Elliott School of International Affairs (1957 E Street NW, Suite 401)
- Contact: 202-994-7678; esintl@gwu.edu
Mount Vernon Foreign Language Café:
http://languagecenter.columbian.gwu.edu/mount-vernon-foreign-language

All GW community members regardless of their skill levels are encouraged to take part in free foreign language conversation hours on the Mt. Vernon Campus. The languages covered are: Arabic, ASL, EAP, Chinese, French, German, Hebrew, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Persian, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish, and Turkish

- Sponsor: Elizabeth Somers Center, Eckles Library, and Language Center
- Location: Eckles Library Auditorium, Mt. Vernon Campus (2100 Foxhall Rd.NW)
- Spring 2016 EAP Dates: 1/25, 2/22, 3/28, 4/11 (5:30 pm to 6:30 pm)
- Contact: MVC Instructional Support 202-242-6670; mvcfac@gwu.edu

Everyday English Program:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1A0sim9JHp0mmbnXu3G_WFPS77hv_0kdVVa56QjHk0Ts/viewform

This program is designed for international students with a focus on conversational English in non-academic settings (e.g. daily interactions and workplaces). With monthly workshops covering different topics as well as weekly conversational time with tutors, you will become more confident in speaking English and understand more about culture in the U.S.

- Sponsor: Career Center and Language Center

The University Writing Center: https://writingprogram.gwu.edu/writing-center

The Writing Center operates as a mutually respectful, interactive working environment between writers and tutors. Tutors bring specialized, pedagogical training to help tutors as writers. They engage in conversation to establish, and then work to satisfy, agree-upon goals for each session. Tutors attend to overall writing development, do not offer grading evaluations on specific assignments nor are they responsible for grades received on a given piece of writing. They are able to partner with the writer to identify patterns of error and help build a deeper understanding of grammar, but they will not proofread, line-edit, or “correct” papers.

Appointments are either 25 or 50 minutes and a student cannot make more than three appointments per week.

- Sponsor: Writing Center
- Hours and Locations:
  - Gelman Library Learning Commons, Suite 221 (2130 H St. NW)
    Mon-Thurs 9 am – 9 pm; Fri 9 am – 2 pm ; Sun: 5 pm – 10 pm
  - Eckles Library on the Mount Vemon campus
    Tue 12 pm- 4 pm; Sun 8 pm- 10 pm
  - Himmelfarb Library
    Tue 6:30 pm- 8:30 pm; Wed 5:30 pm- 7:30 pm
- Contact: 202-994-3765; gwriter@gwu.edu

Language Exchange: http://languagecenter.columbian.gwu.edu/language-exchange

The Language Center hosts the Language Exchange, and it is designed for students who wish to practice a foreign language with other students at GWU. A language exchange involves two speakers of different languages who practice these languages together. Partners have the independence to structure their meetings according to their needs.

GW Tutoring Initiative: http://diversity.gwu.edu/gw-tutoring-initiative

The GW Tutoring Initiative provides free peer-to-peer tutoring services and resources to all GW students in a wide range of undergraduate courses. A student has 10 free hours of one-on-one tutoring to use each academic year and unlimited group tutoring and drop-in sessions.
• Sponsor: Office of Diversity & Inclusion
• Drop-in Session Hours and Locations:
  o Mon 5-7 pm, Gelman 218 A- ECON 1011, 1012
  o Thurs 5-7 pm, Gelman 218 A – CHEM 1003, 1004, 1111, 1112, 2151, 2153
• Contact: 202-994-6927; tutor@gwu.edu

Language Center: http://languagecenter.columbian.gwu.edu

GW Libraries- International Students: http://libguides.gwu.edu/c.php?g=312345&p=2088303
Non-academic Resources

International Services Office:
http://internationalservices.gwu.edu

- **Front Desk:** Visit the Front Desk for questions about ISO procedures, processes, and policies; Process document requests. No appointment necessary; Office Hours M-F 9am-5pm
- **Advising:** Advisors answer more in-depth questions and provide advice for student-specific cases and issues; Appointments encouraged, walk-in hours M-R 1:30pm-3:30pm; Bring passport and I-94 record
- **International Student Ambassadors:** A group of current students who serve as intermediaries between new international students and the University; Assist with orientation and answer questions about the DC area and school

Colonial Health Center:

- **Mental Health Services and Counseling:** [http://counselingcenter.gwu.edu](http://counselingcenter.gwu.edu)
  Dr. Umi Chong is a staff clinician and international student services coordinator; students may visit the center for any mental health issues or questions or general life advice.

- **Medical Services:** [http://studenthealth.gwu.edu](http://studenthealth.gwu.edu)
  Visit the center if you are physically ill, need medical testing, get vaccinated, or have physical health questions; Staffed by medical providers with training and experience in college settings.

International Students Community (ISC):
http://www.gwuisc.com

- A student-led organization with the goal of bringing together international students at GW.

- **iMentor Program:** [http://www.gwuisc.com/imentor.html](http://www.gwuisc.com/imentor.html)
  Peer mentoring for incoming student from upper-level international students

Tax Department- International Students:
[https://taxdepartment.gwu.edu/international-students](https://taxdepartment.gwu.edu/international-students)

International persons receiving income from GW (i.e. employment wages or salary, stipend, scholarship, fellowship, or award) should arrange with the Tax Department to complete the appropriate tax forms.

Center for Career Services_ International Student Assistance:
[https://careerservices.gwu.edu/international-student-assistance-0](https://careerservices.gwu.edu/international-student-assistance-0)

- **International Student Career Ambassadors:** [http://graduate.seas.gwu.edu/international-student-career-ambassadors](http://graduate.seas.gwu.edu/international-student-career-ambassadors)
  GW's International Student Career Ambassador (ISCA) Program provides peer-to-peer career advising for all international students, including graduate/professional students across all degree programs.

  **Drop-in Hours:** Mon-Thurs 10am-7pm (except Tue 1-2pm); Fri10am-4pm
  **Location:** Science & Engineering Hall, Rooms 1230 & 1240

Center for Student Engagement: [http://studentengagement.gwu.edu](http://studentengagement.gwu.edu)
The CSE sponsors over 450 student organizations with open membership to get more involved with the GW community; CSE often sponsors events tailored for all populations to get involved

**Center for Civic Engagement and Public Service:** [http://serve.gwu.edu](http://serve.gwu.edu)

**Multicultural Student Services Center:** [http://mssc.gwu.edu](http://mssc.gwu.edu)

Visit the MSSC for center for cross-cultural communication and community building for all ethnicities and backgrounds; MSSC often hosts activities and sponsors many university-wide events.

Also, through the partnership with the GW Tutoring Initiative, MSSC hosts group tutoring and drop-in tutoring sessions on Sunday evenings from 6pm – 9 pm for those who may need assistance with Economics, Mathematics and Chemistry. Appointment: [http://diversity.gwu.edu/request-tutoring](http://diversity.gwu.edu/request-tutoring)

**Colonial Central:** [http://colonialcentral.gwu.edu/international-students](http://colonialcentral.gwu.edu/international-students)

Visit Colonial Central with any financial aid questions; Also houses representatives from the Registrar and Student Accounts Offices; No appointment necessary, walk-in hours M-R 9am-6pm, F 9am-5pm

**GW International:** [http://international.gwu.edu](http://international.gwu.edu)

**Office of the Registrar:** [http://registrar.gwu.edu/international-students](http://registrar.gwu.edu/international-students)