Types of Tutoring Sessions

Zoom tutoring sessions are available for most writing and STEM (chemistry, math, physics, and programming) courses during our regular hours of operation. Review the tutor schedules on our website to determine when a tutor in your area will be available. Students can schedule sessions in advance or ‘drop-in’ for more immediate help. Please read through the options below to determine which service will best meet your needs.

Writing Tutoring

Advance scheduling: Schedule a 40 minute Zoom session with a writing tutor for a specific day and time

- Who is this for?
  - Students who want a writing tutoring appointment for a specific day and time
  - Students who do not need immediate assistance

- Scheduling Notes
  - Appointments must be scheduled at least 1 hour in advance. Students requesting an appointment within the hour will be considered ‘drop-in’ and follow the waitlist procedure described below.

Drop-In: Schedule a 40 minute Zoom tutoring session with the next available writing tutor. This service functions on a first-come-first serve basis.

- Who is this for?
  - Students who want immediate assistance

- Scheduling Notes
  - When you contact the Learning Center, ask to be added to the waitlist for writing tutoring. Please note that wait times for a drop-in session may be long during busy periods.

STEM Tutoring (math, chemistry, physics, and programming)

Advance scheduling: Schedule a 40 minute Zoom session with a STEM tutor for a specific day and time

- Who is this for?
  - Students who want a STEM tutoring appointment for a specific day and time
  - Students who are looking for more sustained, extended support from a tutor
  - Students who are not looking for immediate assistance

- Scheduling Notes
  - Appointments must be scheduled at least 24 hours in advance. Students looking for same-day assistance can set up a same-day appointment or ask to be added to our waitlist for drop-in tutoring.

Same Day Appointments: Schedule a 20 minute Zoom session with a STEM tutor for the current day

- Who is this for?
• Students who want a same-day STEM tutoring appointment, but who do not need immediate help
  
  Scheduling Notes
  • Appointments must be scheduled at least 1 hour in advance. Students requesting an appointment within the hour will be considered ‘drop-in’ and follow the waitlist procedure described below.

  **Drop-In:** Request a 20 minute Zoom session with the next available STEM tutor. This service functions on a first-come-first serve basis.

  • Who is this for?
    • Students who want immediate assistance
  
  Scheduling Notes
  • When you contact the Learning Center, ask to be added to the waitlist for STEM tutoring. Please note that wait times for a drop-in session may be long during busy periods.

  **Scheduling**

  • Call or email the Learning Center to request an appointment. We will ask for your name, SID, class, and preferred day and time for appointments. You should also indicate that you are interested in a Zoom rather than a face-to-face tutoring session.
  • An office assistant will schedule the Zoom session and email you a link to the meeting. If you have not received this email within 10 minutes of communicating with an office assistant, please call us at 425-352-8229.

  **How to prepare for your tutoring session**

  • Install Zoom and set up a free account. Instructions are available on our [webpage](#). 
  • For a writing tutoring session, have your paper available in Google Docs or open on your desktop.
  • While you can access Zoom through your phone, we recommend accessing through a tablet or PC so that you have a larger screen. Tablets will be particularly useful for a STEM session.
  • While a microphone is not required, we strongly encourage you to have one available for your Zoom tutoring session.

  **Other tutoring options**

  As a reminder, there are two other tutoring services available to Cascadia students:

  • Face-to-face tutoring is still available in the Learning Center, located in CC2-060 and CC2-080. See our [webpage](#) for additional information.
  • Cascadia students have access to free online tutoring through the Western eTutoring Consortium (WeTC). Information about access and services is available [here](#).