Jessica Buttell's Bio

Hello hello! My name is Jessica Buttell (she/her/hers) and I am a junior studying Secondary Education and English-Writing. I enjoyed working as a tutor in the Writing Center at my high school for two years and am excited to continue as a tutor in the Writing Center here at Illinois Wesleyan University!

My writing experience goes back to the first grade when I began to discover my own writing style, which has contributed to my tutoring style. I consider tutoring to be a team effort where we can work together to build off of ideas and accomplish goals. I therefore look at tutoring as a collaboration where both the tutor and the student engage in conversation surrounding the writing process. No matter what stage the paper is at in the writing process, I believe that through collaboration, each student will leave their appointment with inspiration and a fresh outlook.

I love my time at the Writing Center as a peer tutor because it gives me the opportunity to learn and grow as both a peer tutor/writer and student. The Writing Center allows me to be exposed to a variety of subject matter. I particularly enjoy working on assignments that get my creative juices flowing. Therefore, my favorite types of assignments are those concentrated in both English and Educational Studies, but I am happy to work with any type of assignment.

I am most familiar with APA and MLA citation styles, but I am willing to help students learn ASA or Chicago Manual through the use of resources such as Purdue Owl. I have experience working with professors including Joanne Diaz, Maggie Evans, Pennie Gray, Diana Jaher, Brandi Reissenweber, Anna Scanlon, and Michael Theune. I am also a writing partner for Professor Evans' Child Study and Assessment course.

If you are interested in working with me, I tutor both online and in-person.