

Steven Lee's Bio/Tutoring Philosophy

Hello, my name is Steven (he/him) and I'm a junior studying English Writing and Hispanic Studies. What I most like about the writing center is being able to meet people around the campus. After all, connection between students during these times is more important than ever.

I enjoy working on assignments that are creative works such as prose and poetry, essays centered around literature, or other different cultures and languages. I think that language is an intrinsic part of essays that isn't discussed as much as it should be. The citation styles I mostly focus on are MLA and Chicago. But I'm always up to learning new things from other citation styles and applying them into my writing.

My tutoring philosophy centers around being able to learn about the student. After all, every single student has not only a unique writing style, but experiences and perspectives on what writing is. It's important to accommodate not only to be able to communicate with each other during the sessions more effectively, but to also have a more effective teaching experience. My tutoring sessions usually consist of back and forth as we explore ideas on how to get the best out of each piece of writing through the tuttees. After all, it's their works and papers that we're reviewing.

Another core part of my tutoring philosophy is to be inclusive of other students who may natively speak other languages. As seen before, I've seen that writing institutes may discriminate on different types of dialects, especially if the institute is English-centric. I hope that my knowledge of not only English, but Spanish and Korean gives me a better perspective on these things and makes the writing center more welcoming for other students. Writing tutoring should extend more than simply English. It should be available for any students, considering how English-centric education is here.