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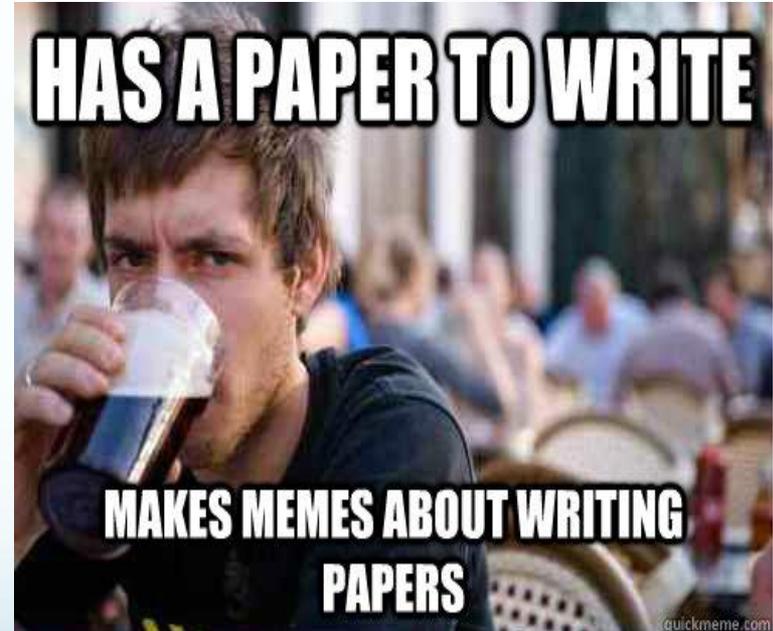
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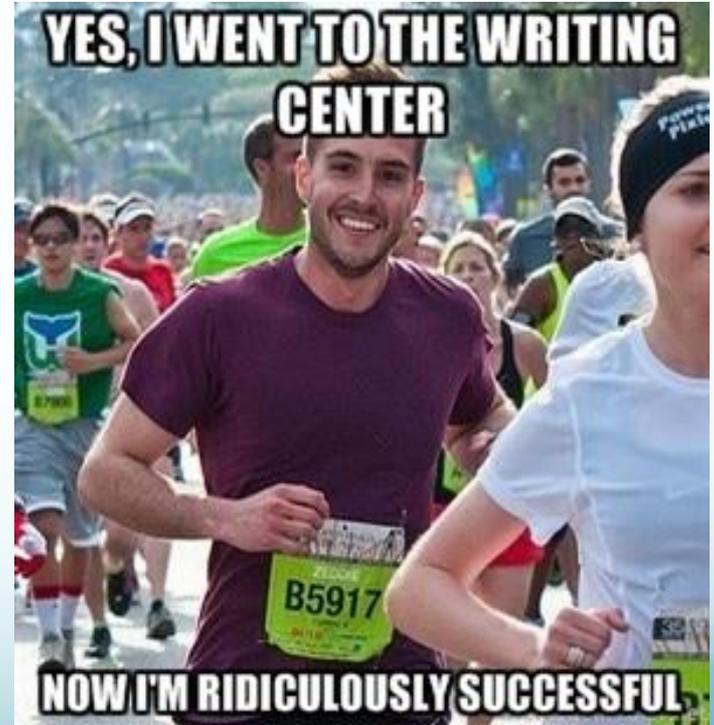
What is a meme?

A meme is a photo with words that conveys a message about cultural norms and situations. The photo can either be generic or from popular culture and becomes popularized as a meme through circulation on the internet. They are usually funny or sarcastic depictions of everyday relatable situations. We enjoy memes because they're an entertaining way to express common experiences, which makes them a highly effective mode of communication. Similarly, the Writing Center can help you learn to engage and write for your audience, which is critical skill for anyone who wants to be a successful writer.



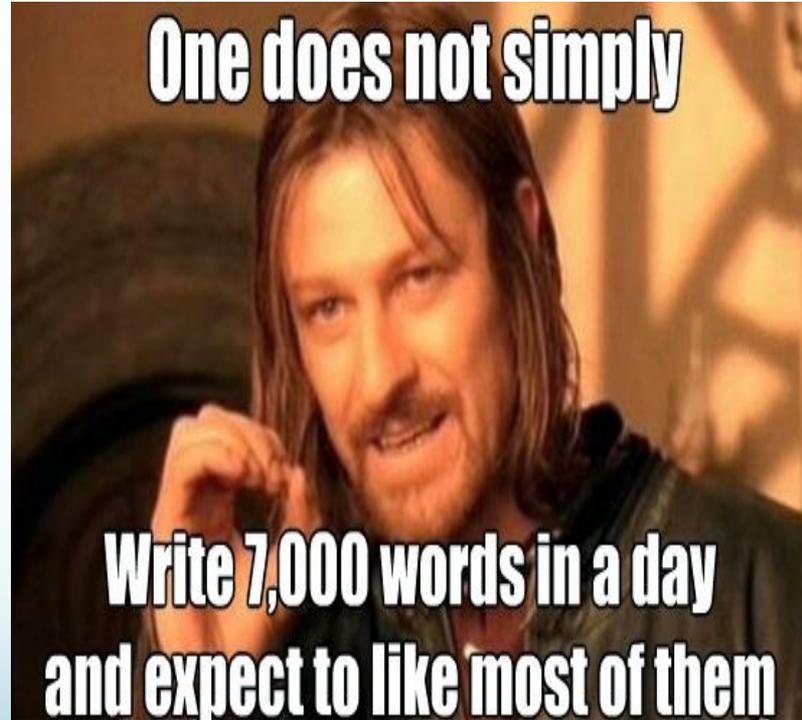
What is the Writing Center?

The Writing Center is a place for anyone within the university community to get help at any stage in the writing process. In order to provide more collaborative and involved tutoring, the Writing Center tutors focus on helping students develop their writing skills to a point where they become better writers on their own.



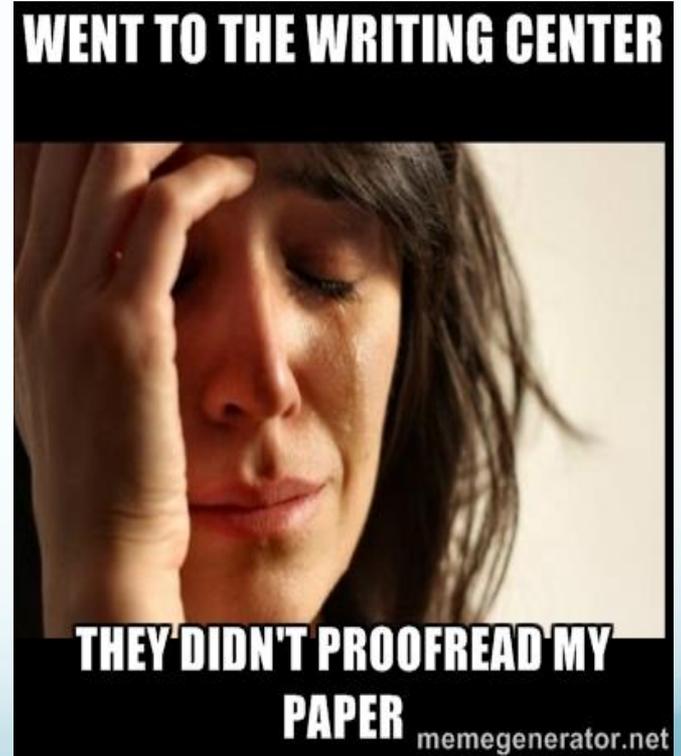
It's about the *process* not the *product*.

Often, when a topic is daunting or confusing, we either don't write anything or we write *everything*, just to get something on paper. The Writing Center can help you create a piece of writing that shows off your best work. How? By breaking down the process and helping you develop the skills you need to successfully and confidently approach any kind of writing.



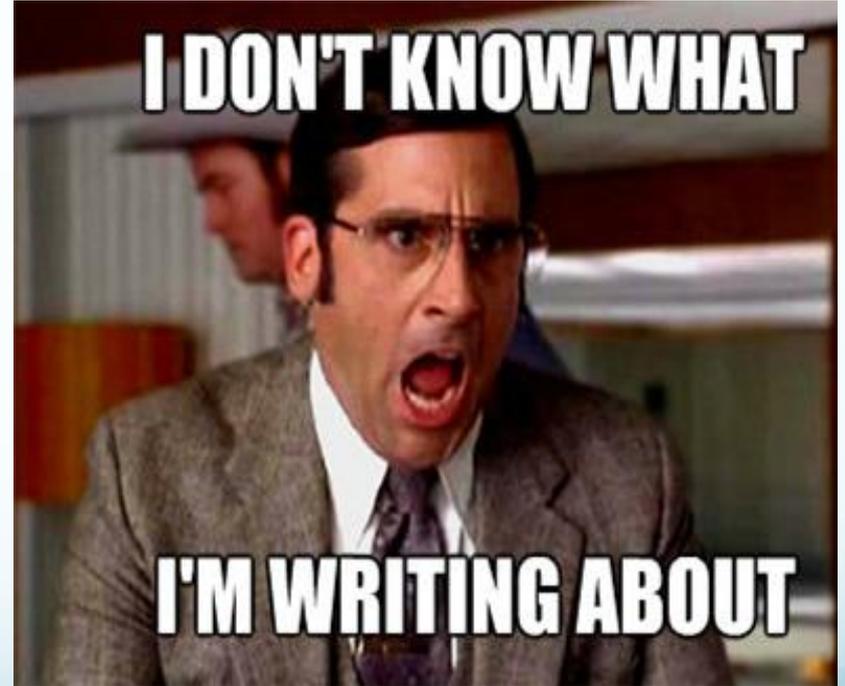
Don't...

Expect someone to write your paper for you. Don't just show up without something to work with--bring a prompt for your assignment or a rough draft to work from. Don't come to get your paper proofread because you were too lazy to edit it yourself -- the Writing Center is a collaborative service not a real-life autocorrect. Don't use the center as a place to hang out with friends. Don't come with a bad attitude--the only way your experience will be productive is if you make it so!



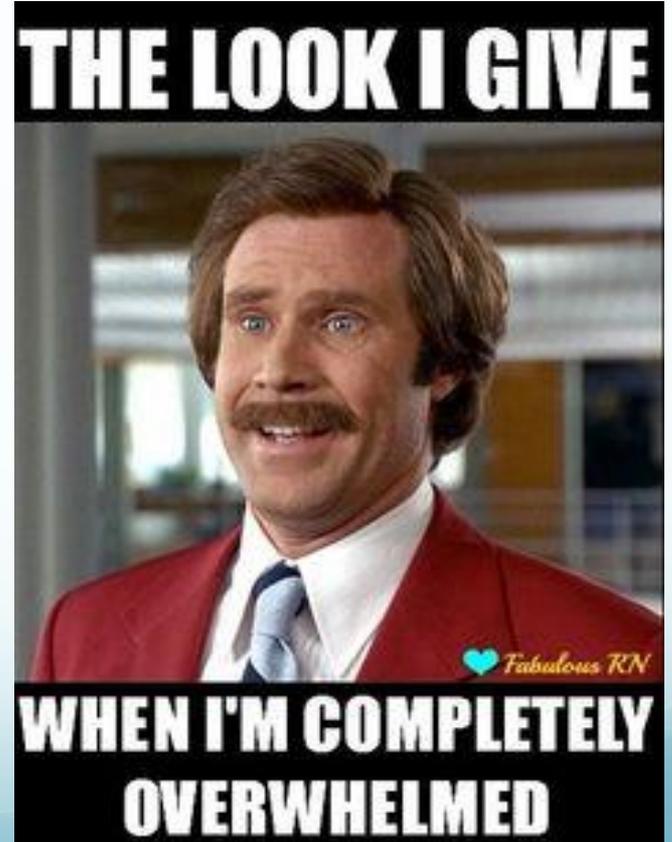
Got Writer's Block?

Don't know how to approach the assignment? The Writing Center can help. Even if you don't have any idea where to start on an assignment, the Writing Center will work with you to help you better understand the prompt or task and help you develop brainstorming and outlining skills to get you started.



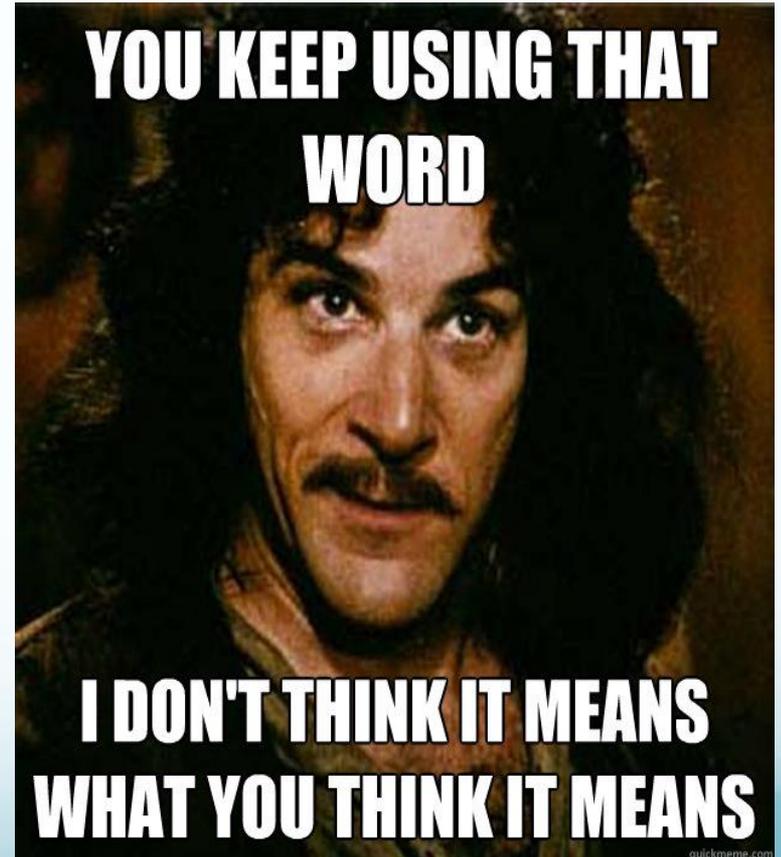
Have an idea you can't put into words?

The Writing Center can help you organize your thoughts into a bomb essay! In one-on-one sessions you can share your ideas and get a different perspective on how to approach your assignment. Get help developing a thesis or creating an outline that will make the writing process easier and less stressful.



Feeling Confident?

Even if you don't think your writing skills need improvement, it's important to utilize the free services the Writing Center provides in order to get a second opinion. There is always room for improvement, and having someone look over your work may reveal important opportunities to become a better writer.



Wow the Writing Center sounds great! Where do I sign up?

The Writing Center is open during the week, and you can schedule an appointment online or by calling the Writing Center office. Contact info is available on the campus website. The Writing Center offers a range of appointment times and they will help you find a time that works for your schedule.



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