
HUME CENTER FOR WRITING AND SPEAKING MISSION STATEMENT

The Hume Center for Writing and Speaking (Hume Center) works with all Stanford students to help them develop rich and varied abilities in every aspect of writing and oral communication. In free individual sessions, Hume tutors help students get started on assignments; address and overcome writer's block or performance anxiety; learn strategies for revising, editing, and proofreading; and understand academic conventions in their fields.

Whether students are working on a written or oral project for a course or applying for a grant or job, our writing or speaking tutors can help them develop effective strategies and sharpen skills to improve their written or oral communication.

We provide support to students with one-to-one tutoring sessions, small group consultations, and workshops. We also foster a lively culture of writing and speaking on the Stanford campus by sponsoring writing boot camps and groups for graduate and undergraduate students as well as publications, by hosting presentations of student research, and by bringing together instructors with students and their parents for celebrations of writing and oral communication done in our community. We cooperate with faculty across the campus to support their use of writing and speaking in a variety of courses.