The Graduate Writing Center (GWC) served 373 unique students in 1559 sessions during AY 2018; 161 of these students had graduated by spring 2019 after receiving research writing support.

Graduation by Degree Type, AY 2018 Cohort (n=161)

- Doctor of Philosophy, 30
- Master of Arts, 22
- Master of Public Health, 10
- Certificate Geo Inform Sci, 6
- Certificate Coll & Univ Teaching, 5
- Combined Others, 12

* Combined Others: Master of Education, Business, Engineering, Forestry, and Health Sciences

The GWC also supported graduate students in their time to completion. Master’s students’ average time to graduation after initial contact with the GWC was under a year; doctoral and certificate-seeking students both averaged just over a year.

Average Terms to Graduation After Initial Contact (n=161)

- Master’s, 120: 3.4
- Doctoral, 30: 4.1
- Certificate, 11: 4.1

Demand for support increased by 15% in AY 2019. Inadequate tutoring funds prevented the GWC from accommodating this increase, and students sought support from other Writing Center program offerings: the Undergrad Research and Writing Studio (URWS), the Online Writing Suite (OWS), and the English Language Learning (ELL) Coordinator.

Total Grad Student Sessions across Writing Center Services, AY 2019 vs. AY 2018

- AY 2019: 1559
- AY 2018: 1558

There were 351 unique graduate students who sought support from on-campus and online Graduate Writing Consultants in AY 2019, a 6% decrease from 2018 (373). However, the URWS and the ELL Coordinator served 198 additional unique students in the Studio, a 30% increase in unique graduate students served over the previous year, for a total of 549 unique graduate students served across all Writing Center programs.

Unique Users across WC Services AY 2019

- GWC
- URWS
- OWS
- ELL

* The ELL Coordinator met with 12 unique graduate students from these categories

These unique students came from multiple paths, and the GWC continued its strong support for students in STEM fields. With additional funding for tutoring, the OSU Graduate Writing Center could do more to support OSU graduate student research and success.

Unique GWC and Online Students by College n = 410*

Engineering
PHHS
Science
Grad School
Ag Sci
Liberal Arts
Bus.
INTO OSU Grad Pathways
Grad Pathways
Professional

* Unique students may be counted multiple times due to students advancing to a higher student status or matriculating from INTO OSU during AY 2019

The GWC’s three-term training for graduate tutors is unique inasmuch as it identifies the specific needs of graduate students and supports them as they develop the high levels of cognitive and rhetorical expertise needed to work as scholars and researchers in their disciplines.

GWC Coordinator, Chris Nelson, presented on the GWC training curriculum he created, and Senior Graduate Writing Consultant, Adam Haley, presented on the hidden graduate curriculum at the 2019 Pacific Northwest Writing Centers Association Conference; Haley also presented his research at the 2019 Consortium on Graduate Communication Summer Institute.