This academic year was one of significant growth and change for the Writing Center and its three programs: 1) the Undergrad Research and Writing Studio (URWS), 2) the Graduate Writing Center (GWC), and 3) the Online Writing Suite (OWS). All three programs experienced significant—42% aggregate—growth compared to the previous year.

Moving the URWS to a more student-friendly space in the Valley Library and the GWC and OWS solidification of stakeholder partnerships made it possible for the Writing Center to increase capacity and enhance student access to critical academic success resources. Colocation of writing and research consultations in the URWS provides improved institutional support for students who are engaged in research writing.

The Writing Center increased its support of vulnerable student populations. Underrepresented minority, transfer, and first-generation students’ Studio usage increased 70%, 53%, and 22%, respectively, over the previous year.

In the GWC, support for URM students increased by 4% over the previous year. While only 46% of graduate students are female, 60% of students who used GWC services were women.

The Writing Center supports international students and provides them with the support they need to succeed at the University both prior to matriculation into OSU’s curriculum (i.e., while they are INTO OSU students) and during their baccalaureate and graduate studies.

The GWC served international and domestic students in near equal proportions, while 65% of sessions in the URWS were with international and INTO OSU students.

The Writing Center expanded services to Ecampus undergraduate and graduate students. Ecampus student use of the OWS increased 80% over the previous year. Additionally, the OWS supports a broad range of Corvallis and Ecampus courses. Of the total 1079 submissions, the top five courses from which students shared drafts were WR 121, FW 315, KIN 481, ANS 420, and BRR 100.

The Writing Center supports degree completion. 22% of GWC users filed for graduation this past year. 96% of those users completed and 4% have defenses pending.