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Call for Papers

The *Writing Lab Newsletter*, a monthly publication for those who work in the tutorial setting of a writing lab, invites manuscripts. Authors are invited to submit articles, book reviews, papers presented at regional conferences, reports of writing lab conferences, articles by tutors, and news of regional groups and/or specific writing labs. Subscriptions to *WLN* are \$15/yr. (\$20 in Canada). Make checks payable to Purdue University. Send newsletter materials and subscription requests to:

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Call for Proposals

Centered Research: The Making of Knowledge in Writing Centers (working title). Ed. Lady Falls Brown, Alice Gillam, Paula Gillespie, Byron Stay

Writing centers are uniquely situated to do research, and as our work begins to emerge as a discipline, the call for research has been overwhelming. How can we show that we are helping universities and colleges with retention? How can we evaluate and document our effectiveness? How can we learn about our own histories? How can we evaluate our training procedures? Is there something unique about research that is carried out in writing centers? What are our research traditions? How do we choose research methodologies? Into what theoretical and political frameworks must we fit our research? How has writing center research, its forms, definitions, and purposes, changed over time? What is the role and status of “lore” in writing center research and scholarship?

Submissions are sought for a new collection, *Centered Research: The Making of Knowledge in Writing Centers*. We welcome articles that do more than simply describe research. We want to consider how the researchers went about choosing their research methodologies, into what political and/or theoretical contexts they had to fit their research, and what ends their research had to serve. Possible categories to consider:

- ethnography
- theoretical frameworks (psychological, Marxist, feminist, etc.)
- close readings of trends in writing center research
- history of writing center research
- bibliographical work (archival studies)
- student-produced knowledge of writing centers
- reflections on writing center research
- relationships between writing center research and research in composition studies in general

Abstracts of up to 500 words must be received by January 15, 1996. Selected articles will be due May 30, 1996. Abstracts may be submitted electronically, or send four hard copies to Paula Gillespie. Please include your name, affiliation, full mailing address, phone and fax numbers, and e-mail address with your abstract.

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Conferences

The **Mid-Atlantic Writing Centers Association** (MAWCA) invites proposals for presentations to be offered at its Eighth Annual Conference, Saturday, April 13, 1996. The conference will be held at Washington College, Chestertown, Maryland, and the keynote speaker will be Leigh Ryan, author of *The Bedford Guide for Writing Tutors*.

Proposals are invited from teachers, administrators, directors, researchers, peer and professional tutors interested in the teaching of writing in universities, colleges, and high schools. Suggested topics include the role of writing in the academy, writing center teaching and administration, curriculum development and approaches to teaching writing, computer networking and the use of computers in writing instruction, establishing new writing centers, training tutors, strategies for conferencing with writers, writing across the curriculum. Presentation formats range from an individual presenter to panels to roundtables.

The deadline for proposals (to be submitted in triplicate) is January 19, 1996. For further details and registration information, please write:

Gerry Fisher, MAWCA Chair
Washington College Writing Center
Smith Hall 31
Washington College
Chestertown, Maryland 21620

Or call 410-778-7263 or e-mail: gerry_fisher@washcoll.edu

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The **Midwest Writing Centers Association Fall Conference** will be held on the University of Minnesota campus in Minneapolis on October 4 and 5, 1996. The conference theme is: "The Place of the Writing Center in the 21st Century."

Send proposals for individual and panel presentations, workshops, demonstrations, and think tanks to:

Ginger Young
Central Missouri State University
Humphreys 120
320 Goodrich Drive
Warrensburg, MO 64093

Proposals may be submitted electronically to: young@cmsuvmc.smsu.edu
For more information, e-mail or call 816-543-4061.

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The **Twelfth Computers and Writing Conference: Technology and Change** will be held May 30-June 2, 1996 at Utah State University in Logan, UT. Proposals are invited that pertain in some way to the uses of computers at any level of writing education.

Send e-mail proposals to: computerwritingconference@writectr.usu.edu
Send print proposals to:

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Computer Lists

Writing center personnel with Internet access may be interested in two lists devoted to discussion of writing center practice and theory. WCENTER is for anyone interested in writing centers; WRIT-C is especially for writing center tutors and consultants.

To subscribe to WCENTER, send a message to: listproc@acs.ttu.edu
Leave the subject line blank. In the message window, type a two-line message:
subscribe wcenter <your name>
set wcenter mail ack

To subscribe to WRIT-C, send a message to listserv@vm1.spcs.umn.edu
Leave the subject line blank. In the message window, type a two-line message:
subscribe writ-c <your name>
set writ-c repro

Back Issues

Selected back issues of *The Writing Center Journal* are available at \$5.00 each. The following issues are available:

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Directory

If you would like to be listed in the next edition of the NWCA National Directory of Writing Centers, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to:

Pam Childers
The McCallie School
500 Dodds Avenue
Chattanooga, TN 37404.

A form will be sent to you for completion and submission.