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## Free Tutoring for Freshman English students

*Every section of Freshman English has a tutor available to work with students in that section.  
This is a free service provided by UMB.*

Who is the tutor for your Freshman English section, and when is she available?

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By appointment *only* Wednesday evening, Thursday afternoon, and Friday morning and afternoon

### How should you make an appointment with me?

Email me at least 24 hours before you would like to meet. I will also come to your class from time to time with a sign-up sheet. To cancel an appointment, email me AT LEAST 12 hours in advance. My time is valuable too, so please don't stand me up!

### Why should I come to tutoring?

Everyone can benefit from tutoring; it's a way to strengthen your reading and writing, whatever your starting point. It is not just for struggling writers, but for anyone who wants to develop their work. One way to think about tutoring is that it's like going to the gym, not going to the emergency room!

### What will we do?

We'll work on strategies for understanding assignments, reading course texts, clarifying your ideas, developing your arguments, organizing your papers, working with sources, and addressing sentence level problems. I won't edit your papers for you, but I will help you to learn how to edit your own papers. Each tutoring session is one hour long.

### Where will we meet?

We'll meet outside the English Department office on the 6<sup>th</sup> floor of Wheatley.

### What should you bring to the tutoring session?

You should bring a copy of the instructor's assignment, readings that go with the assignment, any writing that you have done, (notes, drafts and/or teacher's comments), and the Hacker handbook. You should plan to turn off your cell phone during tutoring.

*"I'm not a very good writer, but I'm an excellent rewriter."*

*James Michener*