

ABOUT:

Tutor Talks is a tutor-focused forum (“for tutors, by tutors”) of virtual professional development sessions for writing center tutors. The Tutor Executive Committee is a small group of dedicated tutors who take the lead on moving the program forward, namely:

- Meeting with other Tutor Executive Committee members to generate topics for future Tutor Talks;
- Scheduling and advertising sessions to tutors via writing center listservs and social media;
- Hosting the sessions;
- Facilitating discussion among tutors during the sessions;
- Taking notes and attendance at the sessions; and
- Reporting back to the SCWCA Board Liaison about the sessions.

Tutor Executive Committee members will be involved in all aspects of running the Tutor Talks, including selecting when and how often the sessions should take place; identifying discussion facilitators for each Tutor Talk; as well as selecting the best platforms on which to host the Tutor Talks. They will also take an active role in shaping the future of the program with guidance, support, and recommendations from the SCWCA Board Liaison.

Thus, SCWCA is asking writing center directors to identify tutors who they think would be a good fit for the Tutor Executive Committee.

APPLICANT SELECTION CRITERIA:

We are seeking undergraduate/graduate writing center tutors who have had a minimum of 1 year tutoring experience at the university/college level (this includes 2-year and 4-year institutions of higher education). Tutors should have demonstrated interest in talking about tutoring writing and networking with other tutors. They should also have strong written and verbal skills as well as leadership potential and have the ability to work on the program through at least the 2021-2022 academic year.

FAQ/MORE INFORMATION:

Please see below for FAQ, and contact SCWCATutorTalks@gmail.com with additional questions or for more information.

1. What are the benefits of participating in this opportunity?

Being a member of the Tutor Executive Committee provides tutors with an opportunity to build leadership skills through organizing and hosting Tutor Talk events. Through the planning process, the Tutor Executive Committee is able to collaborate with SCWCA and those in the writing center field to grow the Tutor Talk initiative, which is beneficial for anyone who may be considering writing center work in the future, or for tutors who are passionate about their work in the writing center. Additionally, the conversations had between tutors during each talk are beneficial to everyone, as advice is shared, support is given, and partnerships are built.

2. What is the time commitment?

This position requires tutors to commit to working through at least the 2021-2022 academic year. It requires approximately two hours per week, which may be adjusted, depending on how the committee chooses to distribute its time and efforts towards this initiative. The week leading up to a Tutor Talk session may require additional time commitment, as preparation meetings may be necessary. Each Tutor Talk typically lasts approximately one hour.

3. How can I stay connected with the Tutor Talks initiative?

Tutor Talks has several social media platforms that are used to connect with tutors and advertise upcoming sessions. We encourage all tutors to follow our various platforms for notifications on upcoming Tutor Talks as well as to contact the Tutor Executive Committee with any questions or suggestions. It is the Tutor Executive Committee's responsibility to manage all social media accounts.

Facebook: [Facebook.com/tutor.talks.5](https://www.facebook.com/tutor.talks.5)

Instagram: Tutor_Talks

Twitter: Tutor_Talks

HOW TO APPLY:

Interested tutors should submit a resume and brief letter of interest (250-500 words) to SCWCATutorTalks@gmail.com by August 15, 2021.

The current Tutor Executive Committee and SCWCA Board Liaison will review applications and select 3-5 tutors for the upcoming academic year's Tutor Executive Committee, notifying tutors by the start of September 2021.