



Peer Learning Center

2 out of 3 students use the Peer Learning Center regularly during their four years at Northwestern— including some with 4.0 GPAs. Around 200 students work as peer tutors, experience that looks impressive on a resume or graduate school application.

Challenge and support

Northwestern students say college is a different study scene than high school. Classes are challenging, but Northwestern provides plenty of support so you'll not only survive, but thrive academically. Some of that support is available in the Peer Learning Center (PLC), which offers both group study sessions and individual peer tutoring for free.

Learning together

Most Northwestern classes for freshmen and sophomores come with a peer tutor who's available for one-to-one or group study outside of class. Handpicked by the professor, tutors are students who've successfully taken the class and been trained by PLC professionals. In addition to explaining the course material, answering questions and helping you study for exams, they can also help you learn how to study and manage your time.

The PLC also offers regular study centers for students who want after-class assistance in accounting, computer science, math, science, Spanish and writing.

Writing help

Experienced and accomplished peer tutors are available to help you at all stages of the writing process for essays, research papers or other writing projects for classes in any major. They can assist you with:

- Brainstorming topics
- Developing your thesis
- Outlining your argument
- Documenting sources
- Revising drafts

Accommodations for students with disabilities

If you have a documented learning disability, you'll have an equal opportunity to succeed at Northwestern. The PLC's professional disability specialist will work with you before and after you enroll to verify disabilities and ensure appropriate accommodations and follow-up.

We've served students with attention deficit, autism, dyslexia, cerebral palsy, hearing impairments, brain injuries and more with accommodations such as individually proctored exams, audio textbooks, and providing assistants to take notes or read texts. To initiate a request for our services, visit the website listed below and complete the "Support for Accommodation Request" form.

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To learn more about the Honors Program, contact your admissions counselor or visit:

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