## **MyWCOnline Online Sessions**

## Am I eligible for an online appointment?

Currently, the FSU RWC only offers online tutoring to distance learners and students enrolled in online classes.

If you sign up for an online appointment and do not meet these criteria, your appointment will be canceled, and you will be asked to sign up for an appointment on-site.

## What do I need for an online appointment?

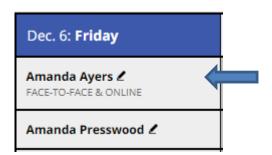
A working computer, a webcam, a microphone, and whatever writing you're working on.

## How do I sign up for an Online Appointment?

The procedure is the same as it is for on-site appointments, with one difference.



- 1. Go to fsu.mywconline.com and log in to your MyWCOnline account. If you have not created an account, click the register link and fill out the window.
- 2. Locate a tutor who is available to work online. They will be marked "Face-to-Face & Online" in the system.



- 3. Click on a white appointment slot.
- 4. Fill out the information in the next window. This includes appointment time. If you want a 1-hour appointment, you can change the times at the top of the window (pictured below)



5. By default, under "online appointments," the Face-to-Face option is checked. Select "Yes—Meet Online" to book an online appointment (image below).



6. Once you are done filling out this information, click "Save and Close." You should get an email confirmation.

## How do I join an online appointment?

When you click on your appointment, you will see a window with the information you filled out when booking the appointment above, which includes your course, instructor, and areas of focus. Unlike on-site appointments, there will be a box (like the one below) that will enable you to meet online. Click the red "Start or Join Online Consultation" link to start the online appointment.

*Note:* As stated above, to do online appointments, you will need a webcam, microphone, and working computer.

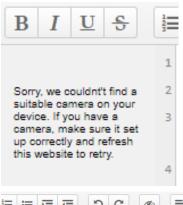
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If you choose an online appointment, log back in to this website approximately five to ten minutes before the start of your appointment. Then, open this appointment and click "Start or Join Online Consultation."

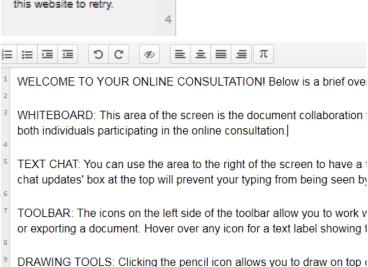


## How do I use the online system?

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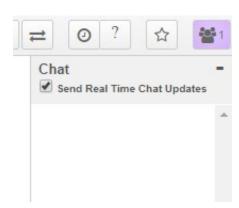


1) Left column: the web cam images will show up here. As well, there are numbers for each paragraph in the document window, which provides you one way to give feedback.



2) Center column: MyWCOnline calls this the "Whiteboard." Writers can upload documents they're working on so you can read them together. The whiteboard is designed as a space where you and the writer can work together. You each have an authorship color (discussed below) so if you want to highlight certain areas of the text via bold, italic, or underline to draw attention to them, you can. Note:

When you upload a document to the whiteboard, all of the font will become Arial size 12.



3) Right column: Chat window. In the event of audio and/or video failure, this panel functions as an IMing system.

4) Top column: Toolbars, of which there are two. The one at the left is pictured below.



Most of these icons are recognizable from Microsoft programs. From left to right, the buttons are:

- Bold, italic, underline, strikethrough: these will be helpful for highlighting certain parts of the document for students.
- Numbered list, bulleted list, increase indent, decrease indent

- Undo, redo
- Clear authorship colors: Clicking this button will erase colors designating which person in the document made the changes. This action cannot be undone.
- Left, center, justified, and right alignment
- Insert mathematical formula: we probably won't be using this one.

The toolbar on the right includes fewer icons.



From left to right, these buttons are:

- Drawing tool: In addition to bold, italic, underline to highlight areas of the writing, the pen tool can be used to point to specific areas. The disadvantage is you'll likely have to draw with a mouse.
- Import/Export: Writers can use this to upload a document at the beginning of the session and download it at the end.
- Timeslider: Clicking this will allow writers to see a play-by-play of changes to the document. NOTE: clicking this will automatically kick you out of the video chat, so I suggest waiting until the end of the appointment to view the timeslider.
- Toolbar: The question mark button brings up, in a new window, information about synchronous online meetings available on MyWCOnline's website.
- Save revision: the button that looks like a star allows writers to save a revision of the document so that they can export it.
- Show users: By clicking on this, you can see the names and authorship colors of people in the document.

## So you've mentioned authorship colors a couple of times... what exactly are those?

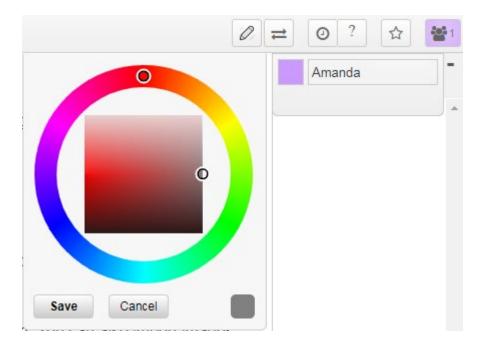
Authorship colors show who made changes in the document. These include formatting changes and any typing done in the document. Here's an example:

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. I'm making a suggestion here.

These colors are randomly assigned at the beginning of a session. If yours is not very visible, you can change it by:

- 1. Clicking on the show users icon
- 2. Clicking on the box of color to the left of your name
- 3. Selecting a new color from the wheel
- 4. Clicking save



If your tutor's color is not visible, then please notify them so they can change it.

# What if I get disconnected?

Technological issues do happen. If you get disconnected from the chat, try to rejoin by closing the appointment window, clicking on the appointment from the schedule again, and re-opening it.

If for any reason you cannot rejoin, e-mail the tutor you are working with.