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## Academic Advancement Center



## New Staff Bring Fresh Perspective to AAC



Becca Lachman

Becca J.R. Lachman, Assistant Coordinator for the Student Writing Center, holds an M.F.A. in Literature and Writing from the Bennington Writing Seminars and an M.A. in English from Ohio University. Her first book of poems, “The Apple Speaks”, is forthcoming this April, and her choral music is available through Heritage Press.

As an undergrad at Otterbein, Becca created an original degree of musical theater composition, an experience that now helps her to empathize with college freshman trying to choose a major. “The arts are, in my opinion, the most powerful form of communication, but every job I’ve had stresses the exploration of mining ideas and furthering knowledge.

It’s affirming to see how past life experiences now support my current position at the Student Writing Center. In college, I visited the Math Center frequently; I know the strength and vulnerability involved in asking for help as a student! I’ve also been an international exchange student and can identify with writing center clients who are maneuvering their way through education in another culture and language.

From 2007 to 2009, I also worked at OU’s Thesis and Dissertation Services office and am familiar with the requirements and pressures facing our grad students. And finally, as an adjunct since 2008, I stress the importance of writing and reading as valuable educational, social, and personal tools.”

Carey Busch, Director of the Office of Disability Services (ODS)

As a graduate of Bowling Green High School in NW Ohio, I came to Ohio University as a first year student studying forensic chemistry. After completing my bachelor’s degree I decided to complete my Master of Education in Clinical Counseling. Obviously a lot had changed in four years! Although I still love science, a combination of volunteering and working

in Residential Life helped me discover my passion for working with people individually to support them in experiencing their full potential. After gaining some additional work and life experience in Ohio and Arizona, I found my passion in working with people with disabilities and worked my way back to Ohio University. I look forward to the opportunity to help lead the office and the university towards best including students with disabilities as valued members of our community.



Carey L. Busch

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# The Student Writing Center Joins the AAC

Peanut butter and jelly, bread and butter, salt and pepper, and now the Student Writing Center and the Academic Advancement Center make the list of some of the best pairings of all time.

A perfect match, the Student Writing Center is now available to students through the AAC as another ancillary tool to assist students that may be struggling with college writing.

Located in the learning commons on the second floor of Alden, the Student Writing Center offers free assistance to both undergraduate and graduate students, joining other helpful tutoring centers at the AAC like the math and science centers.

Face-to-face tutoring, virtual tutoring, and walk-ins on designated walk-in days are just some of the type of services the Student Writing Center offers.

To make an appointment, [click here](#).

A complete listing of hours for the SWC is located on page 3.



## Math Center

The math center is available to all students and provides FREE assistance in math and related courses. Students have the option of:

1. Scheduling an appointment for a 30-minute, one-on-one meeting with a math center tutor during regular hours:

**Monday - Friday**

**10:00am - 5:00pm**

2. Attend the evening math center drop-in sessions. No appointment is necessary!

**Sunday - Thursday**

**7:00pm - 9:00pm**

## Science Center

Take advantage of free science tutoring for traditionally hard classes with the science center in the first floor of Alden. You will be paired with a highly qualified science tutor, free of charge. To sign up for 1/2 hour appointments, stop by the AAC.

**Hours:**

**Monday, Wednesday**

**10:00pm - 4:00pm**

**Tuesday**

**2:00am - 6:00pm**

**Thursday**

**9:00am - 12:00pm**

## Student Writing Center (SWC) Schedule

Monday- Thursday  
12pm- 10pm

Friday  
12pm- 4pm

Sunday  
4pm- 10pm

## Computer Lab Open Hours

Sunday 4pm-10pm

Monday-Thursday 9am-10pm

Friday 9am-5pm

Saturday - CLOSED

## Computer Lab Social Media



Follow the Computer Lab  
on [Twitter](#)



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## Supplemental Instruction (SI) Winter Quarter

Supplemental Instruction, commonly known as “SI,” is shifting the way classes are perceived today. Traditionally hard classes now seem manageable to many, maybe even easy, through SI’s unique approach of offering free study sessions outside of the classroom led by qualified students who successfully completed the course. SI’s main goal is to reduce rates of attrition in difficult courses, improve students’ grades, and increase graduation rates.

If you would like to become an SI leader, the SI program seeks qualified leaders. If you would like to submit an application, apply [HERE](#).

## SI Spring Quarter:

ACCT 101	CHEM 152
BIOS 103	CHEM 153
BIOS 130	ECON 103
BIOS 131	ECON 104
BIOS 171	MATH 115
BIOS 171	MATH 163A
C E 220	MATH 263A
CHEM 122	MATH 263B
CHEM 123	PSY 101 (mega sections only)
CHEM 150	



Kevin Geiger

This is my second quarter serving students as the Assistant Director of CAP. I am originally from the Westside of Cincinnati, OH. I first came to Athens in 2000 as a nervous and excited and undecided undergraduate.

I fell in love with the campus, but after the 4 (or so) years that flew by, I graduated with my B.S.Ed in Integrated Language Arts and taught 8th grade English in the Columbus, OH area for two years. But Athens is a hard place to leave, and I returned in 2007 to begin my M.Ed in Cultural Studies in Education. I began advising students in University College. After graduating, I began advising full-time in the College of Arts & Sciences, but returned to University College in 2010. I advised, taught UC 115, and worked with Tutoring Services in the AAC up until this past August, when I began serving in my current role.

I consider myself blessed to be

able to work in a school that has been so impactful in my own life, and to live in a town that continues to inspire me. I am eager to share some of the hidden gems that Athens has to offer, so don't hesitate to knock on my door if you find yourself asking, "What is there to do Athens?"

## Tutoring Gets Social



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# Tutoring Services

The AAC offers individual and group tutoring sessions which are available to all Ohio University undergraduate students. These services are designed to enhance the understanding of class material as well as to improve academic performance.

There is also an online tutoring referral system for over 600 courses. To find a tutor or become a tutor, click below.

[FIND A TUTOR](#)

[BE A TUTOR](#)

## UC Courses for Spring Quarter

University College (UC) courses provide students with the guidance needed in order to excel in the classroom. From students who need assistance transitioning into the college atmosphere, UC courses take the edge off of intimidating academic situations. Courses being offered for fall quarter are:

### UC 110- Learning Strategies

(3 credits, open to all OU students)

This course is specially designed for students who may not possess efficient study habits. UC 110 increases effectiveness in time management, note-taking, reading, comprehension, and test preparation by assessing

current study behaviors and attitudes that may deter students from reaching their full potential, and then presenting effective learning strategies.

### UC 112- College Reading Skills

(2 credits, open to all OU students)

The focus of this course is to improve active reading and study reading techniques with an emphasis on practice and application of skills.

Please visit <http://www.ohio.edu/univcollege/courses/uccourse.cfm> for information on other University College Courses.



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