

For Duke graduate students who would like additional and/or more directive assistance from outside readers, see the list below of freelance editors available for hire. These editors provide a variety of services, depending on the specific needs of the writer, that range anywhere from proofreading and copyediting to more substantive feedback. Included below are a couple of editors with whom our students have worked successfully in the past, help for hire suggestions from the writing center at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and, for international graduate students, a list of editors with extensive backgrounds in teaching ESL from the International House at Duke.

Please note that to protect against claims of plagiarism and unwarranted help, graduate students are strongly advised to seek permission from their academic advisor and/or department before enlisting the services of an outside editor. Any arrangement made with an outside editor, including the contractual relationship, rests entirely with the writer employing said editor and is outside the purview of the Thompson Writing Program.

On a final note, good external editors will usually volunteer to provide a free sample edit of a brief excerpt so that you can determine if the style of editing meets your needs and so that the editor can provide you with an accurate final quote.

Freelance Editor Contact Information

- The following two editors have successfully worked with graduate students in the past:

Heidi Giusto heidi@careerpathwritingsolutions.com

Jeremy Kohler jeremy@r-e-communications.com

- The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill's Writing Center lists both tutors and editors on their "Help for Hire" board. They can be hired for face-to-face as well as online services in the following link:

<http://writingcenter.unc.edu/about/help-for-hire/>

- The International House at Duke provides a comprehensive list of private tutors who have specific backgrounds/degrees in teaching and editing the work of ESL/international graduate students. The link below lists levels of experience, contact information, and rates of the tutors:

https://studentaffairs.duke.edu/sites/default/files/u110/PrivateTutors_1.pdf