**Information Directly from the CODASC brochure:**

**Director:** Salena Anderson, Associate Professor of English

**Location:** CCLIR First Floor (near Grinders)

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**Learn More:** valpo.edu/writingcenter

Contact Writing Center Staff: Writing.Center@valpo.edu

**Similar information/language that is formatted in paragraphs:**

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Schedule a guaranteed appointment online at <https://valpo.mywconline.com/>, or drop in. The Writing Center is located on the first floor of the Christopher Center (CCLIR) near Grinders. To learn more about our Center, visit us at <http://www.valpo.edu/writingcenter/>, or contact Writing Center staff at Writing.Center@valpo.edu

**An expanded version of what I distributed at FOCUS:**

***I would really like feedback on the language and content since it is newer though.***

1. ***Are the first lines too much of a sales pitch for a web site?***
2. ***I don’t know if there is too much of a product orientation here?***

***My experience tells me that students are often product-oriented, and I don’t want to promote that. On the other hand, I don’t know if “Become a Better Writer” (as opposed to “Write Your Best Papers”) would be a relatable goal for many of our undergraduate students. From my many conversations at FOCUS, I found that half (or fewer) of the students I talked with consider themselves writers. They were very interested in passing/performing at a certain level on their papers though. Again, extrinsic motivation is not really my goal either. The idea of becoming a better writer just didn’t seem to be on many students’ maps yet though. How do I “meet them where they are” without a bait-and-switch scheme?***

1. ***Is this language student-centered and empowering enough:***

***“***We welcome the opportunity to discuss a new prompt with you, to explore ways of developing an existing draft, to provide guidance in your revision process, and to help you develop skills as your own self-editor.”

***I want students to know that they have full ownership of their papers when they visit the Center, and I want to be careful of too much “help” language.***

**Valparaiso University Writing Center**

**Write Your Best Papers**

*(Whether You Are Already a Strong Writer or Not)*

Your professors and other professionals seek peer feedback on their writing. Shouldn’t you? Visit the Writing Center!

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* We offer individual peer consultations and workshops on writing to support students in their development as writers.
* Our consultants are all confident writers who are trained in providing peer feedback, and they reflect a variety of majors and programs from across campus.

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**Become a Writing Center Consultant!**

Are you a good writer who enjoys giving peer feedback? In your second year or beyond, consider taking English 380/580 (The Theory and Practice of Tutoring Writing). This course provides training for prospective Writing Center consultants. Consultants enjoy a paid campus job that helps students build work experience and leadership skills while giving back to the campus community.  We value consultants from all majors. Contact Prof. Anderson, Writing Center director, at Salena.Anderson@valpo.edu about Writing Center consultant positions.