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D.C. campus Library
Marshall Hall 2nd Floor

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Norfolk campus Library
Okinawa Hall 2nd Floor

Things you'll find in the Library

- Research support from expert Librarians, Writing Instructors
- IT Service Help Desk
- NIPRNet (.mil) PCs
- Special Collections, Archives, Exhibits
- Quiet study spaces
- Collaborative study spaces
- Lunchtime workshops on library research and writing topics
- Classified Documents Center (SCIF) w/ SIPRNet
- Academic Wireless (campus-wide Wi-Fi)
- Printers and scanners

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Collections



- **Over 500,000 physical items—books, government documents, research reports, DVDs, audiobooks**
- **100+ subscription databases covering an array of research topics**
- **20,000+ electronic journals, newspapers, and market reports**
- **150,000+ eBooks; many are downloadable**
- **40,000+ unique digital archives (NDU student papers, CJCS papers, NDU Press, etc.)**

Special Collections & Archives



- Archives of military leaders. Collections and papers from half of the retired Chairmen of Joint Chiefs of Staff
 - Collections from 6 of the retired Supreme Allied Commanders of Europe
 - Extensive unique collections from the recent wars in Iraq and Afghanistan
- NDU student papers and thesis
- Exhibits throughout the University are created by the Library staff
- Grant Hall's historic courtroom, site of the 1865 military tribunal of the Lincoln assassination conspirators



Center for Excellence in Leading & Learning



The *convergence of information and technology* necessitates the Library Directorate and Information Technology Directorate collaborate to provide a centralized, synergistic hub of aggregated and enhanced information- and technology-based services.

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Washington DC	
Library Services	7am – 6pm
Special Collections	8am – 4:30pm
CDC	7:30am – 3:45pm
IT Help Desk	7am – 6pm
Norfolk	Open 24/7 for JFSC students, faculty and staff
Library Services Classified Library	8am – 4pm
Writing Center	7am – 3:30pm
	9:00-4:30. Appts preferred.

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Quick Links

- Popular Databases
- Suggest a Purchase
- Library Survival Guide
- Renew / Place a Hold / Change PIN
- Print / Use computers on Campus
- Special Collections/Archives
- Classified Library and Classified Documents Center

Highlighted Resources

- [The Economist \(London\) online](#)
IP authenticated access to The Economist online.
- [New York Times \(NYTimes.com\)](#) - NDU Pass required
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- [Financial Times \(FT.com\)](#)
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- [Women, Peace, and Security portal](#)
- [JEL \(Joint Electronic Library\)](#)
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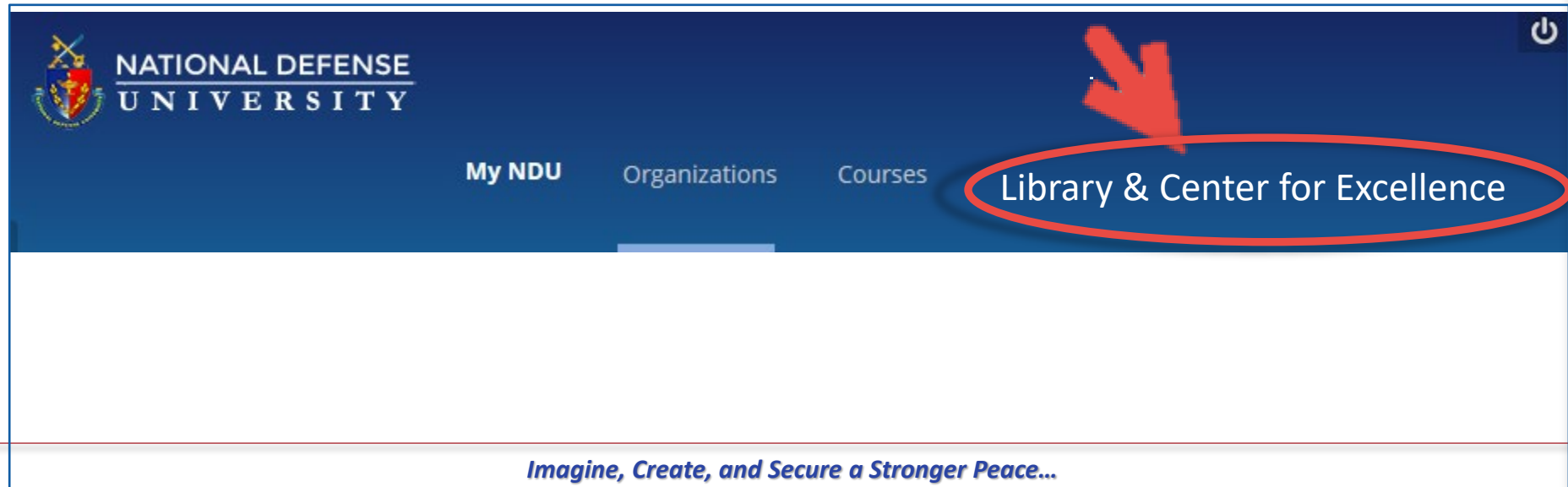
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Step 1: Log into  Office 365 →  Blackboard

... or <https://ndu.blackboard.com/>

Step 2: Choose “Library & Center for Excellence”

A screenshot of the National Defense University Blackboard interface. The top navigation bar is dark blue and contains the university logo on the left, the text "NATIONAL DEFENSE UNIVERSITY" in the center, and a power icon on the right. Below the logo, the text "My NDU", "Organizations", and "Courses" are visible. The "Library & Center for Excellence" link is highlighted with a red oval and a red arrow pointing to it. At the bottom of the page, the text "Imagine, Create, and Secure a Stronger Peace..." is displayed.

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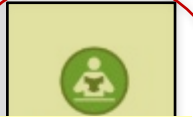
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Inspirational Quotes

If your writing doesn't keep you up at night, it won't keep anyone else up either.
— James M. Cain


Jeffrey Turner



Jeff Turner

Email Me

May Chung



May Chung

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The Writing Center

Mission Statement

The Writing Center supports the NDU community in its efforts to enhance the writing and critical thinking skills of its joint warfighters and other national security leaders. We fulfill this mission through teaching courses, conducting workshops, and providing one-on-one instruction at every stage of the writing process.

Welcome

Hello, students.

Welcome to NDU! As Writing Center instructors, we are here to assist you in completing your writing assignments. Whether the project is large or small, we are here to listen, offer guidance, and provide strategies and approaches for producing your best writing. Here are a few points we would like you to remember as you immerse yourself in writing:

- **Writing thrives in a supportive environment.**

People who write often describe their most conducive writing environment and the steps they take in creating it. Some writers write while listening to soft music. Others prefer writing while facing a window. Others write during quiet hours at their kitchen table. Writing Center instructors here at NDU aim to offer a safe and supportive space for you as you write. So, refer to Writing Center faculty by their first names. Come in. Sit comfortably. Discuss your writing openly — its successes, challenges and everything in-between. **The Writing Center is a place for conversation and dialogue.**

- **Writing is a process.**

Writing is difficult work. Period. As writing center faculty, we encourage you to view writing as more of a process than a product. The five main steps of the writing process are prewriting, organizing, drafting, revising, and proofreading. Revising might be the toughest stage as you prepare to rethink, restructure, and rewrite your findings and analyses. American author Verlyn Kickenborg said it best when he said, "**All writing is revision.**" Writing Center faculty are here to help you through every stage of the process from prewriting to revising and proofreading.

- **The Writing Center is for ALL writers.**


Although writing centers have been around for decades now (over thirty years), they remain tasked with the duty of ridding themselves of labels such as "fix-it" clinics or remedial labs for "bad" writers. Even the best authors tell stories of tossing out entire manuscripts and starting over only to repeat the process several times at the demand of and with the assistance of editors and publishers. In actuality, **writing is a practice.** Hardly anyone gets it "right" the first time, and the Writing Center is here to assist **ALL** writers in the journey.

What We Do

- **One-on-one consultations**

We meet with students in the Writing Center to assist them at every stage of the writing process. While faculty do not proofread or edit


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Writing Center Services



- **Every stage of the writing process**
- **Brainstorming, mapping, outlining, rough draft, organizing**
- **Including quotations and paraphrasing**
- **Editing and revision**
- **Editing your own writing and peer editing**
- **Global editing vs proofreading**
- **Workshops & conferences**
- **“Embedded” Writing Centers within components**



Services

Library

- Access to vetted information resources
- Research assistance
- Information literacy instruction

Writing Center

- Writing assistance
- Platform & communication skills
- Writing for publication

Information Technology

- Service Desk assistance

Providers



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Information is your competitive advantage

“...ever since the beginning of my administration I have issued directives to gather, in every feasible way, ***the information required to protect the United States*** and the free world against surprise attack and to enable them to make effective preparations for defense.”

General Dwight D. Eisenhower

President of the United States of America,
1953 –1961

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