

Writing centre for students

AN upgraded writing centre will soon be open for the use of Durban University of Technology (DUT) students who struggle with their assignments and projects.

The DUT Faculty of Arts and Design recently announced that the centre will operate at extended hours and will have more tutors from various fields to assist students with their academic needs.

Situated in Room 124 at the DUT City Campus, the centre is in close proximity to other campuses including the Steve Biko, Ritson and ML Sultan, which makes it easily accessible to students.

According to the head of the Writing Centre, Andrea Alcock, students of all levels were previously not aware that they could get help from the Writing Centre for understanding briefs, creating proposals, developing research projects and general

writing.

"At the centre, we work with students individually and in small groups to develop writing skills. We do not edit work but rather play the role of the reader of a text so that a writer learns where and why their ideas are not being clearly expressed," said Alcock.

"In this way the writer develops skills that they can use the next time they write. We are interested in and support all kinds of writing in our faculty."

The Writing Centre's setting is a comfortable space where students may express their concerns to the tutors without feeling intimidated as they normally would in a lecture situation.

Sabelo Nsele, a tutor and former student encourages DUT students to make use of the facility.

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