



The Students' Guide to the Ins and Outs of *Writer's Help (WH)*

What it is:

All students* at Principia College have access to *Writer's Help 2.0--Hacker*, an online writing/grammar/research resource. You can either dive into the wide variety of exercises and learning modules to solidify and expand upon your knowledge, or you can simply use the search field to find out the basics.

Two ways to use it:

Independently	In a class
If you want to use WH as a writer's handbook with Quick Help and exercises on your own, register for the [Principia College Writer's Help--OPEN] course. Go to <i>WH</i> any time and find out what you need to know and strengthen your skills with exercises.	If you are in a course set up by a Principia instructor, you can register for that course either with the link your professor sends you or through the [Find a LaunchPad course] button (see below), where you will select the course your professor indicates.

Note: If your professor assigns you anything to read or an exercise to complete, he or she can track your progress using the "Gradebook." If you complete an exercise that has not been specifically assigned, you are the only one who can see your score, whether you are in the OPEN course or one set up by a professor.

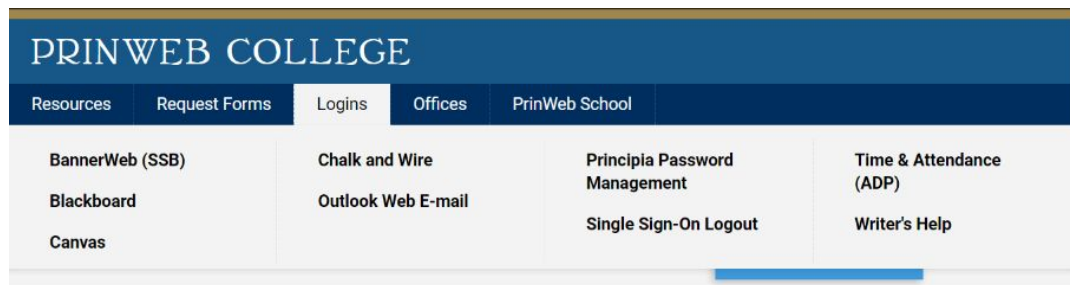
Why it's good/helpful:

WH can be an incredibly easy-to-use tool. Professors can give you an assignment from a broad range of exercises on writing, research, and grammar, or you can search exercises and terms yourself using the search field or the "Resources" option. There's also a section on different types of citation styles (MLA, Chicago, APA, CSE).

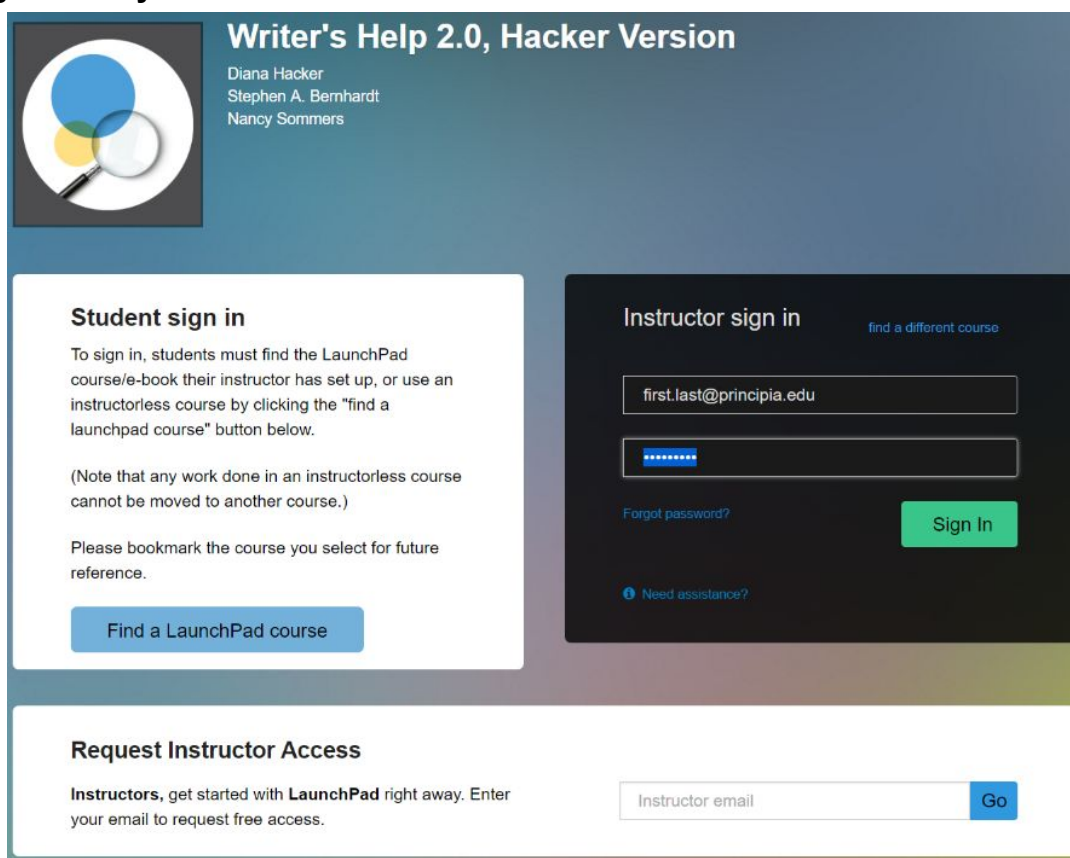
* One-year enrichment students and those whose 4-year subscriptions may have expired do not have *Writer's Help*.

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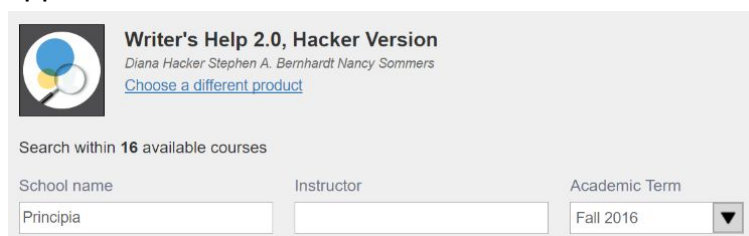
Find **“Writer’s Help”** under the **“Logins”** tab on PrinWeb:



Once you have selected this, you will be taken to the following screen.
To register for your class select the **“Find a LaunchPad course”** button.



In the search bar, type **“Principia”** to find a list of classes Principia professors offer. The list will appear below the search.



If you're in a class and your professor has asked you to register, find the course that corresponds to your class and select "Join Launchpad."

If you aren't in a class that has a specific *Writer's Help* course set up, find "Principia College Writer's Help--OPEN," and join that LaunchPad. This will take you to the following screen where you will use your Principia email as your username, and a password.

IMPORTANT:

- If you are new in fall 2016 and have never used *WH*, your password is likely "Pass1234!"
- If you are not a freshman or a transfer student and you have never used *WH*, your password may be "baseball," unless you changed it.

If you are having a hard time logging in, select "Forgot password" and set up a new password. Macmillan's system is fairly quick to respond, so this shouldn't take long.

The screenshot shows the 'Principia College Writer's Help--open' interface. At the top, it says 'Instructor: Principia Instructor Course: All Section: Students'. Below this, there are two main sections: 'New Student Registration' and 'Sign in'.

New Student Registration:

- Radio button selected: ☒ I have a student access code
- Text input field: Access code
- Green button: Submit
- Text: Please enter the code exactly as it appears, including dashes
- Radio button: ☐ I want to purchase access
- Radio button: ☐ I need to pay later
- Link: [Need assistance?](#)

Sign in:

- Link: [find a different course](#)
- Text input field: last.first@principia.edu
- Text input field: Password (masked with dots)
- Link: [Forgot password?](#)
- Green button: Sign In
- Link: [Need assistance?](#)

Once you have logged in, select "Join Course" to confirm registration into your course! Now you can explore the useful world of *Writer's Help*!

Helpful hints:

- 1) Refer to the Help tab on the right hand corner after you've logged in.
 - a) Refer to the "User Guide" which contains a comprehensive list of FAQs.
 - b) "Email Technical Support" if the "User Guide" doesn't provide adequate support, or there are any technical difficulties.
- 2) Email ariana.dale@principia.edu if you need any assistance with *WH*.