

Students who used the services of the Writing Center in their first year vs. those who did not:  
GPA, retention, and graduation rates

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### Summary

- Students who visited the CU Boulder Writing Center during their first term were compared to students who did not, on last UCB cumulative GPA, retention rates, and graduation rates.
- Domestic first-term users and non-users of the W(he)-.sss0.2w 0.3 0 Cd(0.00w (e)-7 (r84 (s)-5 (s)0r -0en)7Tj--

- About 7% of the “non-visitor” group actually did use the Writing Center, but not in their first year. These students were grouped for analysis with those who never visited in their UCB careers.
- Differences in outcomes were substantial. The average last observed cumulative GPA for Writing Center visitors was 3.22, vs. 3.00 for non-visitors. Retention to the 2<sup>nd</sup> fall was 92% for visitors, 89% for non-visitors. Those results and others are summarized in Table 1.

Table 1. Outcomes for domestic new freshmen who visited the Writing Center during their first year, vs. matched students who



More information

- More complete data summaries are available on request to ODA. Contact Perry Sailor at [perry.sailor@colorado.edu](mailto:perry.sailor@colorado.edu).