

## Barbara Kuznetsova's Bio:

Hello, writers! My name is Barbara Kuznetsova (she/her), and I'm a rising junior with an English-Writing major. The thing I like most about the Writing Center is the diversity of ideas. I love meeting people from different backgrounds and learning about their personal experiences and development. My favorite part of tutoring is learning something new from each student I work with to move forward with a little more knowledge after each session. If you don't learn something new from each of your clients, you don't develop-that is my credo.

More than anything I love working on fiction, and I have enormous experience in writing and editing it. I love creative minds and think it is beautiful when a person can transfer an idea or image from their mind into something written. Having massive experience in fiction, I can help with characters, plot, and structure of your writing. I also enjoy working on assignments on English Literature and analysis of literary texts. The analysis of the author's techniques, word choice, irony, etc. brings me joy and boosts my inspiration.

My tutoring philosophy is to make each student comfortable. Mutual respect and support is crucial in tutoring because a writer should feel comfortable when giving someone their work. Receiving critical feedback on your writing might feel overwhelming, but that is the only way you can improve as a writer both in analytical and creative assignments. Individual approach is the best thing I can offer: for some people, the most important process is talking things through; for others, it is essential to give them time to think on their own. My goal is to determine an approach to each student to help them feel respected and cared for.

I am familiar with MLA style of writing.