## **Our Philosophy on Grammar**

A paper can be grammatically correct and still very difficult for readers to understand. Likewise, a paper can be logical, clear and concise even though it contains a few grammatical errors. In fact, most readers will forgive a few grammatical errors if they can understand what the writer is trying to say. Errors become most noticeable when a writer's thoughts or arguments are unclear.

Our philosophy in Communication Support is to first focus on making your arguments and ideas clear before we focus on errors. We believe this focus on clarity will improve your writing (and your grade!) more than just eliminating sentence level errors from your essay. We also believe that strategies for clear writing can be taught more easily than English grammar rules, which can only be learned through repetition over long periods of time. By providing you with rhetorical principles that you can learn to utilize independently, we seek not only to improve your texts, but to also make you a better writer.

In other words, our fundamental objective is to help make your ideas clear, organized and rhetorically effective. We can be a resource for helping you gain grammatical knowledge, but our approach puts your learning as the top priority.