

Minor in Technical and Professional Writing

About This Program

The Minor in Technical and Professional Writing (TPW) provides students with training in technical and professional writing, document design, visual communication, editing, and usability, and it helps students become more effective communicators in both traditional and new media environments. Students selecting the TPW minor should consult first with the undergraduate advisor in their department or program for approval of the minor and then with an undergraduate advisor in the Department of English. Working with advisors, students will select a sequence of courses to fulfill the requirements of the minor.

Competencies

1. Students completing the Technical and Professional Writing Minor will be able to compose, evaluate, and revise user-centered technical documents and designs to meet diverse audience needs and communication goals.
2. Students completing the Technical and Professional Writing Minor will be able to understand and apply ethical principles, especially those related to the impact of technical writing and design on diverse communities and stakeholders.
3. Students completing the Technical and Professional Writing Minor will demonstrate competency and confidence in using industry-standard tools and technologies for writing, design, and communication, preparing them for careers in technical writing, user experience, content creation, and related fields.

Curriculum

English Foundations

ENGL 1301	RHETORIC AND COMPOSITION I	3
ENGL 1302	RHETORIC AND COMPOSITION II	3
ENGL 2338	TECHNICAL WRITING	3

Technical and Professional Writing Specialization

Choose three of the following:		9
ENGL 3369	TOPICS IN TECHNICAL AND PROFESSIONAL WRITING	
ENGL 3373	TECHNICAL AND PROFESSIONAL WRITING	
ENGL 3376	BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WRITING	
ENGL 3377	TECHNICAL EDITING	
ENGL 3378	TECHNICAL PROCEDURES AND MANUALS	
ENGL 3379	GRANT AND PROPOSAL WRITING	
ENGL 3383	INFORMATION DESIGN	
ENGL 3388	THE EARLY HISTORY OF TECHNICAL WRITING	
ENGL 4372	PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE IN TECHNICAL COMMUNICATION	
ENGL 4376	DESIGNING TECHNICAL DOCUMENTS	
ENGL 4390	INTERNSHIP IN ENGLISH	

Total Hours	18
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To count toward the minor, all courses must be completed with a grade of C or better.

Advising Resources

First time in college students must meet with the Liberal Arts advisor at the University Advising Center prior to their first semester but should meet with their program advisor after that. Transfer students should meet with their program advisor to enroll after accepting admission.

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English Undergraduate Advising FAQ (<https://www.uta.edu/academics/schools-colleges/liberal-arts/departments/english/advising/undergraduate/>)