Technical and Professional Communication

Program Requirements

Technical and Professional Communication, BS Program Checksheet

Includes:

- Major Courses and General Education Courses
- Admission and Transfer Requirements
- Graduation Requirements

Why Choose Technical & Professional Communication? - Program Spotlight

Technical and Professional Communication students learn the history and future of writing, edit technical manuals, understand the elements of writing technical documents, and develop project planning skills. In addition, they analyze technical journals, books, magazines, and speeches.

All TPC students identify a content specialty concentration, a 21-credit grouping of courses that builds on their interest in a specific career area. While many TPC students enter the program with an associate degree in a technical area - for example, electronics or plastics technology - many develop their technical specialty based on an established area of expertise in the field of technical communication.

A wide variety of content specialty concentrations are possible, including electronics, automotive technology, computer information systems, plastics technology, medical writing, applied mathematics, visual communication, technical training, and applied biology. These concentrations are not, however, the only areas of specialty allowed by the program; students are encouraged to work with their advisor to select the best grouping of courses for their professional interests. The content specialty gives students a specialized background and typically opens the door to their first professional job.

Career Opportunities

Technical and professional communication is a combination of writing, organizing, and communicating information. Students gain an understanding of communication media, technical and expository writing, desktop publishing, verbal communication, and a chosen technical or professional specialty.

Job opportunities continue to grow for graduates of this program. Nearly every industry needs employees who can communicate technical and professional information effectively to its customers and clients. Jobs also are expanding into marketing, advertising, and public relations fields.

More Information

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