TECHNICAL COMMUNICATION

Technical communication classes will teach you to communicate ideas and information effectively. We typically study how people communicate at work, and we focus on making documents that are clear, concise, accurate, thorough, and easy for the audience to use. All degrees and certificates in technical communication may be completed entirely online, although general education courses necessary for the undergraduate degree are typically not available online.

PROGRAMS

DEGREES AND CERTIFICATES

- Bachelor of Science in Technical Communication
- Technical Communication Minor
- Master of Science in Technical Communication
- Technical Communication Graduate Certificate

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

In technical communication classes, we study how people communicate at work, and we focus on creating content that communicates technical or complex information more easily. Technical communicators work in a broad range of industries, from agriculture to medicine to information technology and more.

REAL-WORLD CONNECTIONS

SKILLS AND TALENTS

- Communication Skills
- Technical Skills
- Research Skills
- Writing Skills
- Editing Skills
- Design Skills

CAREERS

- Technical Communicator
- Technical Editor
- Content Writer
- User Experience Designer
- Documentation Manager
- Information Designer

EMPLOYERS

- Itron
- Toro
- Allen Interactions
- Mayo Clinic
- Google
- Medtronic

INSPIRED ACTION

EMPLOYMENT RATE

91.7%

of program graduates begin their careers within one year of graduation.

Graduates: 16
Respondents: 13
link.mnsu.edu/graduate-follow-up

MEDIAN SALARY

$80,050

The median annual wage for Technical Writers in May 2023.

Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, Technical Writers, at link.mnsu.edu/english-technical-communication-salary

PROGRAM WEBSITE

hss.mnsu.edu/english

SAMPLE FOUR-YEAR PLAN - TECHNICAL COMMUNICATION, BS

First Year (Fall)	First Year (Spring)
ENG 101 Foundations of Writing & Rhetoric (4) General Education Course (4) General Education Course (3) General Education Course (3)	General Education Course (4) General Education Course (4) General Education Course (3) General Education Course (3)
Second Year (Fall)	**Second Year (Spring)**
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Third Year (Fall)	**Third Year (Spring)**
ENG 474W Research and Writing Technical Reports (4) Elective Course in Major (4) Elective Course in Minor (4) Other Graduation Requirements (4)	ENG 477W Technical Documentation, Policies and Procedures (4) Elective Course in Major (4) Elective Course in Minor (4) Elective Course in Minor (4)
Fourth Year (Fall)	**Fourth Year (Spring)**
ENG 498 Internship (4) Elective Course in Major (4) Elective Course in Minor (4) Other Graduation Requirements Course (4)	ENG 475 Editing Technical Publications (4) Elective Course in Major (4) Elective Course in Major (4)

For more information about program requirements, visit:
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