



The AAS degree in Technical Communication offers training in technical writing and the preparing of documents that utilize both the written word and graphic presentations. The curriculum trains the specialist to work collaboratively on the various aspects of digital communication, including researching and organizing information, writing it coherently, editing, producing, and presenting it orally.

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Suggested First Semester

Course	Course Name	Credits
LEAD 1200	Workforce Development with Critical Thinking	2
ENGL 1301	Composition I	3
XXXX #3###	Computer Applications Elective **	3
ARTC 1325	Introduction to Computer Graphics*	3
ARTC 1305	Basic Graphic Design *	3
Total Semester Hours		14

Suggested Second Semester

Course	Course Name	Credits
ENGL 1302	Composition II	3
ARTC 2313	Digital Publishing II (Adobe InDesign)	3
XXXX #3###	Math/Natural Science General Education Elective	3
ETWR 1302	Intro to Tech Writing (1371 Technical Composition before fall 2009)	3
IMED 1316	Web Page Design I * (Hand coding HTML/CSS)	3
Total Semester Hours		15

Suggested Third Semester

Course	Course Name	Credits
IMED 1301	Introduction to Multimedia	3
SPCH 1321	Business and Professional Speaking	3
IMED 1359	Writing for Multimedia Communications	3
ARTC 1302	Digital Imaging I * (Photoshop)	3
ETWR 2305	ETWR 2305 Intermediate Technical Writing (1372 Technical Writing II before fall 2009)	3
Total Semester Hours		15

* Sometimes available as an Internet-based class

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Suggested Fourth Semester

Course	Course Name	Credits
ETWR 2301	Advanced Technical Writing (Technical Writing before 2009) OR	
ENGL 2311	Technical and Industrial Correspondence and Report Writing	3
ETWR 1373	Online Documentation (ETWR 1373 before fall 2009)	3
XXXX #3##	Social Science General Education Elective	3
XXXX #3###	Humanities/Fine Arts General Education Elective	3
Total Semester Hours		12

Suggested Fifth Semester

Course	Course Name	Credits
ETWR 1374	Proposal Writing	3
IMED 2388	Internship-Digital Communication and Media/Multimedia	3
XXXX #3##	Department Approved Elective	3
Total Semester Hours		9

Program Total Hours

65

**** The Computer Applications Elective may be chosen from the following courses:**

ITSC 1309 - Integrated Software Applications I
POFI 1301 - Computer Applications I,
BCIS 1405 - Business Applications/ Business Computer Applications OR
COSC 1401 - Microcomputer Applications

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