

Graduate Certificate in Technical Communication

The Graduate Certificate in Technical Communication will be awarded upon completion of six graduate courses (18 semester hours). All Certificate courses may count toward the Master's in English. Note that the English MA requires 18 hours of graduate literature courses and that half of MA courses must be 600 level.

Required Courses (6 hours)

EH 501 Theory and Practice in Technical Communication.

Usually offered every fall semester.

EH 502 -Problems in Technical Editing.

Usually offered every spring semester.

Electives (12 hrs.)

EH Elective at 600 level (3 hours)

*EH 601 - Writing Pedagogy.

Analysis and research on the teaching of writing.

Usually offered every spring semester.

EH 602 - Practicum in Technical Communication.

Designed to give technical communication graduate students on-the-job experience in industry or government, either through an internship or a major research project connected with an industry problem. Requires a substantial internship report.

EH 698 Independent Study

Appropriate for professionals already working in the field.

Students must have completed at least one of the required courses to be eligible.

EH/EHL Elective (3 hours)

*EH 500 Composition Studies for Teachers

EH 508 History of the English Language

EH 510 Fiction Writing

EH 511 Poetry Writing

EH 512 Special Studies in Writing

*EHL 505 Survey of General Linguistics

*EHL 507 Studies in Advanced English Grammar

*EHL 509 Special Studies in Applied English Linguistics

*EH 601 Writing Pedagogy

Allied Field Electives (6 hours)

Choose two graduate level (500 or 600-level) courses in consultation with the Director of Business and Technical Writing and the professors teaching the courses. These may be from departments outside of English (e.g., Education, History, Management, MIS, Political Science, Psychology) or linguistics courses (EHL) or courses in the teaching of writing (EH 500 and 601) within the English Dept. M.A. students in English may also substitute thesis hours here if doing a thesis in technical communication.

*These may instead count in the allied field, in which case you will need to choose another elective.