

TECHNICAL COMMUNICATION (AA)

Catalog Effective Term: Fall 2024

Program Code: AATCD

Credential: Associate in Arts

Program is also available online

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In this program, students explore the technical communication process in detail and develop skills in audience analysis, project management, technical writing and editing, document design and usability testing. Using tools of the technical communication profession, students will:

- Prepare content for print and online delivery
- Develop screencast training modules
- Learn how to conduct a formal job search
- Create professional portfolios to showcase their skills

The Technical Communication Associate in Arts degree is designed for students transferring to a four-year university and seeking a Bachelor of Arts degree. The General Education requirements fulfill both Washtenaw Community College's requirements and the MTA Transfer requirements.

Program Admission Requirements

Basic computer literacy.

Minimum Credits Required for the Program: 60

Course	Title	Credits
First Semester		
COM 101	Fundamentals of Speaking	3
ENG 107	Technical Writing Fundamentals	3
ENG 111	Composition I	4
Math Elective(s) (https://coursecatalog.wccnet.edu/academics/general-education/#math)		3
Credits		13
Second Semester		
ENG 208	Technical Writing for Print Delivery	3
ENG 226	Composition II	3
Select one of the following GDT Electives:		3
GDT 104	Introduction to Graphic Design	
GDT 106	Illustrator Graphics	
GDT 108	Photoshop Graphics	
Soc. Sci. Elective(s) (https://coursecatalog.wccnet.edu/academics/general-education/#socbehavsci) ¹		3
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Credits		15
Third Semester		
ENG 209	Technical Writing for Online Delivery	3
Select one of the following WEB Electives:		3
WEB 110	Web Development I	
WEB 113	Web User Experience I	
WEB 115	Interface Design I	

Arts/Human. Elective(s) (https://coursecatalog.wccnet.edu/academics/general-education/#arthuma) ¹	3
Nat. Sci. Elective(s) (https://coursecatalog.wccnet.edu/academics/general-education/#naturalsci) ¹	3
Restricted Elective(s) ²	3

Credits 15

Fourth Semester

ENG 218	Technical Writing for eLearning	3
ENG 245	Job Search Success Seminar	2
Arts/Human. Elective(s) (https://coursecatalog.wccnet.edu/academics/general-education/#arthuma) ¹		3
Nat. Sci. Lab Elective(s) (https://coursecatalog.wccnet.edu/academics/general-education/#natscilab) ¹		3
Restricted Elective(s) ²		3
Open Elective(s) to reach a minimum of 60 total credits.		3

Credits 17

Total Credits 60

¹ If your course(s) exceeds the recommended credit hours, you will need to reduce the number of credits in the restricted electives. Students who plan to transfer to a 4-year university are encouraged to meet with the Technical Communication program advisor to select appropriate general education courses.

² JRN 210 Introduction to Copy Editing is strongly recommended. Students must meet with the Technical Communication program advisor to select additional elective courses.