

## Bachelor of Science in Technical Communication

(revised 9/30/09)

### Core Curriculum (Areas A-F)

<b>Area A: Essential Skills</b>					<b>9 hours</b>
Course	Grade	Hours	Date	Signature/initials	Comments
English 1101 Composition 1		3			
English 1102 Composition II		3			
Math 1111 College Algebra		3			

<b>Area B: Institutional Options</b>					<b>4 hours</b>
Course	Grade	Hours	Date	Signature/initials	Comments
COMM 2400 Speech		2			
STS 2400 Science, Technology, and Society		2			

<b>Area C: Humanities/Fine Arts</b>					<b>6 hours</b>
<i>Take one from each of the following two groups</i>					
Course	Grade	Hours	Date	Signature/initials	Comments
ENGL 2110 World Literature		3			
ENGL 2111 World Literature I		3			
ENGL 2112 World Literature II		3			
ENGL 2120 British Literature		3			
ENGL 2121 British Literature I		3			
ENGL 2122 British Literature II		3			
ENGL 2130 American Literature		3			
ENGL 2131 American Literature I		3			
ENGL 2132 American Literature II		3			
ENGL 2141 Western Literature I		3			
ENGL 2142 Western Literature II		3			
Art and Cultures of the World					
ARTS 2001 Art		3			
ARTS 2002 Drama		3			
ARTS 2003 Music		3			
ARTS 2004 History of Contemporary American Music		3			
French 1002		3			
German 1002		3			
Spanish 1002		3			

<b>Area D: Science, Mathematics, and Technology</b>					<b>11 hours</b>
<i>Take any two courses from the following for a total of 8 hours</i>					
Course	Grade	Hours	Date	Signature/initials	Comments
Astronomy 1000K		4			
Biology 2107K Biology Principles I		4			
Biology 2108K Biology Principles II		4			
Chemistry 1211K Principles Chem I		4			
Chemistry 1212K Principles Chem II		4			
Physics 1111K Intro. Physics I		4			

Physics 1112K Intro. Physics II		4			
Physics 2211K Principles Physics I		4			
Physics 2212K Principles Physics II		4			
<i>Take one of the following</i>					
Math 1113 Precalculus		4			
Math 2240 Survey of Calculus		3			

<b>Area E: Social Sciences</b>						<b>12 hours</b>
<i>Take one from each of the following four groups</i>						
<b>American Context</b>						
Course	Grade	Hours	Date	Signature/initials	Comments	
History 2111 U.S. History I		3				
History 2112 U.S. History II		3				
POLS 1101 American Government		3				
<b>World History</b>						
History 1111 Survey World. Civ.: pre 1500		3				
History 1112 Survey World Civ.: post 1500		3				
<b>Behavioral Sciences</b>						
ECON 1101 Intro. To Economics		3				
PSYC 1101 Intro to General Psych		3				
<b>Cultures and Societies</b>						
ANTH 1102 Intro.to Anthropology		3				
ES 1100 Ethnic Studies		3				
GEOG 1101 Intro. to Human Geography		3				
POLS 2401 Global Issues		3				
RELG 1200 World Religions		3				

<b>Area F: Core Courses in Major Field</b>						<b>18 hours</b>
Course	Grade	Hours	Date	Signature/initials	Comments	
COMM 2000 Business Comm.		3				
TCOM 2010 Technical Writing		3				
TCOM 2020 Foundations of TCOM		3				
TCOM 2030 Research in TCOM <b>OR</b> ENGL 2030 Research in Prof. & Critical Writing		3				
<b>Area F Electives (choose two):</b>						
COMM 2060 International Comm. <sup>1</sup>		3				
COMM 2150 Ethics and Communication		3				
Up to two ENGL 2xxx courses		3-6				
Math or Science or Computer Science (with programming) <sup>1</sup>		3				
Any foreign language, 2001 or higher		3				

## Courses in the Technical Communication Major

Basic Required Courses					15 hours
Course	Grade	Hours	Date	Signature/initials	Comments
ENGL 3030 English Grammar for Professional Communicators		3			
TCOM 4030 Foundations of Graphics		3			
COMM 4100 Small Group Communication		3			
ENGL 4160 Rhetoric: History, Theory, and Practice		3			
TCOM 4800 Project Portfolio		3			

## Courses in the Major Concentrations

15 hours

<i>Select <b>one</b> of the following concentrations</i>					
<b>Information Design</b>					
<b>15 hours</b>					
Course	Grade	Hours	Date	Signature/initials	Comments
TCOM 3020 Proposal Writing <sup>2</sup>		3			
TCOM 3030 Instructional Design		3			
TCOM 3045 Fundamentals of Info Design		3			
TCOM 4000 Professional Editing <sup>2</sup>		3			
TCOM 4045 Foundations of Multimedia		3			
TCOM 4070 User Documentation		3			
TCOM 4120 Usability Testing		3			
TCOM 4130 Online Documentation		3			
TCOM 4135 Fundamentals of Website Design		3			
TCOM 4170 Video Production		3			
<b>Digital Media and Graphics</b>					
<b>15 hours</b>					
Course	Grade	Hours	Date	Signature/initials	Comments
ARTS 2010 Introduction to Drawing		3			

ARTS 3000 Visual Thinking		3			
TCOM 4035 Fundamentals of Website Design		3			
TCOM 4045 Foundations of Multimedia		3			
TCOM 4040 Applied Graphics for Technical Communicators		3			
TCOM 4170 Video Production		3			
TCOM 4175 2D Animation Design		3			

<b>Program Electives</b>		<b>15 hours: Take any BS or BA program elective 3000-level or higher (unless given departmental approval) or approved STS<sup>3</sup> or SIS electives</b>			
Course	Grade	Hours	Date	Signature/Initials	Comments
		3			
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1. Recommended course selection for students in the B.S. program. Students may also substitute a 2000-level literature class or a 2000-level foreign language class.
2. Students may also take cross-listed ENGL sections of these courses.
3. Students may take STS 4000 or STS 4400 but not both for TCOM Electives.

<b>Free Electives</b>					<b>15 hours</b>
Course	Grade	Hours	Date	Signature/initials	Comments
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<b>B.S. in Technical Communication</b>	<b>120 hours</b>
<b>Core requirements (Areas A-F)</b>	<b>60</b>
<b>Basic required courses</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Required concentration</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>TCOM electives</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Free electives</b>	<b>15</b>