

COLLEGE OF LIBERAL ARTS AND HUMAN SCIENCES
DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH
Bachelor of Arts in English (BAENG)
Major: Professional and Technical Writing (PTW)
For student date of entry under UG Catalog 2023-2024

The B.A. in English with a Major in Professional and Technical Writing requires 42 credits in English, distributed as follows, and 120 credits overall. In accordance with university guidelines, courses satisfying degree core requirements may not be double counted to satisfy other areas of a degree (e.g., Pathways).

Note: All English courses above the 1000-level have as a pre-requisite completion of the First-Year Writing Requirement— i.e., completion of 1106 or COMM 1016. Some courses required for this major have other pre-requisites/co-requisites and/or enrollment requirements. Such courses are identified by an asterisk (*) on this checksheet. Please refer to the Undergraduate Catalog or consult your advisor for information about the specific pre-req/co-req or enrollment requirements for a specific course.

I. B.A. in English Common Degree Core Requirements (21 credits)

A. Foundational Theories and Content (15 credits)

Books, Libraries, Archives	(3) _____	ENGL 1004
Language and Society	(3) _____	ENGL 1514
Introduction to Critical Reading	(3) _____	ENGL 2604
Acts of Interpretation (*)	(3) _____	ENGL 3324
Advanced Writing & Research	(3) _____	ENGL 3754

B. English and Cross-cultural Representation (6 credits)

(Choose 2)

Language & Ethnicity in the US	(3) _____	ENGL 3144 (RLCL 3144) (SOC 3144)
The Postcolonial Novel	(3) _____	ENGL 3644
Ethnic American Literature	(3) _____	ENGL 3654
Intercultural Issues in Professional Writing	(3) _____	ENGL 3834

II. Professional and Technical Writing Major Requirements (21 credits)

A. Foundational Course (3 credits)

Introduction to Professional Writing	(3) _____	ENGL 2844
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B. Professional and Technical Writing Electives (12 credits)

Choose four courses (12 credits) of the following, at least one of which (3 credits) must be at the 4000-level.¹

Rhetoric for Professional Writers	(3) _____ ENGL 3474
Technical Editing and Style	(3) _____ ENGL 3804
Creating User Documentation	(3) _____ ENGL 3814
Visual Rhetoric and Document Design	(3) _____ ENGL 3824
Intercultural Issues in Professional Writing	(3) _____ ENGL 3834
Special Topics in Professional and Technical Writing	(3) _____ ENGL 4474
Grant Proposals and Reports	(3) _____ ENGL 4804
Developing Online Content	(3) _____ ENGL 4814
Science Writing	(3) _____ ENGL 4824
Magazine Writing (*)	(3) _____ JMC 4144

C. Capstone Experience (6 credits)

Issues in Professional and Public Discourse (*)	(3) _____ ENGL 4874
Field Study	(3) _____ ENGL 4964
Bridge Experience	(0) _____ ENGL 3900

III. Satisfactory Progress toward the B.A. in English, Major in Professional and Technical Writing

Satisfactory progress toward the B.A. in English, Major in Professional and Technical Writing, requires that upon having attempted 72 credits (including transfer, advanced placement, advanced standing, credit by examination, and course withdrawal), students must have passed 12 of the required credits in the English Core (Section I) and have attained a GPA of 2.0 or better both within the major and overall.

In order to graduate, students must complete the degree with a GPA of 2.0 or better both within the Professional and Technical Writing Major and overall. All English courses above the 1000-level are factored into the in-major GPA.

IV. Pathways General Education Requirements (45 credits)

Concept 1: Discourse (9 credits)

1f-Foundational (6 credits)

First-Year Writing (3) _____ ENGL 1105

First-Year Writing (3) _____ ENGL 1106

1a-Advanced/Applied (3 credits)

Select from approved Pathways course (3) _____

Concept 2: Critical Thinking in the Humanities (6 credits)

¹ Please note that neither Technical Writing (ENGL 3764) nor Business Writing (ENGL 3774) counts as a Professional and Technical Writing elective.

Select from approved Pathways courses (3) _____
(3) _____

Concept 3: Reasoning in the Social Sciences (6 credits)

Select from approved Pathways courses (3) _____
(3) _____

Concept 4: Reasoning in the Natural Sciences (6 credits)

Select from approved Pathways courses (3) _____
(3) _____

Concept 5: Quantitative and Computational Thinking (9 credits)

1f – Foundational (6 credits)
Select from approved Pathways course (3) _____
Select from approved Pathways course (3) _____
1a – Advanced/Applied (3 credits)
Select from approved Pathways course (3) _____

or

1f – Foundational (3 credits)
Select from approved Pathways course (3) _____
1a – Advanced/Applied (6 credits)
Select from approved Pathways course (3) _____
Select from approved Pathways course (3) _____

Concept 6 – Critique and Practice in Design and the Arts (6 credits)

6d – Design (3 credits)
Select from approved Pathways course (3) _____
6a – Art (3 credits)
Select from approved Pathways course (3) _____

Concept 7: Critical Analysis of Identity and Equity in the United States (3 credits)

Select from approved Pathways courses (3) _____

V. Free Electives for Degree (33 credits)

(3) _____	(3) _____	(3) _____
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VI. Foreign Language Requirement

3 years in high school or
2 years in high school + (0) _____ FL 1106
Less than 2 years in high school + (0) _____ FL 1105 + (0) FL 1106