



Bachelor of Science in Technical Communication (BSTC)

Connecting companies and consumers through communication

In today's world, the ability to explain technology and ideas to consumers is a critical skill— the type of skill developed through MSOE's BSTC program.

As a technical communicator, you'll help users, often consumers, understand and use technology and products. You'll work closely with engineers and other technical staff and use your expertise to inform or train others about the product's use. You'll assist both customers and coworkers in understanding technology.

Graduates of the BSTC program work as technical writers and editors, content developers, documentation specialists, instructional designers, information architects, usability and human factors professionals and web designers, developers and translators. Their work makes technical information understandable to those who need it.

2+2 Transfer Program

The BSTC is a degree completion program that enables those with an associate degree or two years of college credits to complete a bachelor's degree. Those accepted into the degree program are granted junior standing. In some cases, prerequisite courses may be required.

The degree in technical communication at MSOE is designed to provide you with:

- a core liberal arts education in humanities and social sciences
- courses that will allow students to design and produce both written documents and oral presentations for business, industry and institutions
- literacy in basic engineering, mathematics, physical science, computers and business

The MSOE Advantage

MSOE offers a convenient way to complete this degree through evening courses. Professors bring their years of real-life work experience into the classroom. We deliver small classes taught by faculty – never teaching assistants.

You'll find the same learn-by-doing approach that is prevalent throughout MSOE's degree programs in your classrooms and high-tech labs.

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Bachelor of Science in Technical Communication Courses¹

		Credits
EN241	Speech	3
HU440	Global History I (The World to 1500)	3
MS221	Microeconomics	3
OR301	Transfer Student Orientation	0
SS453	American Government	3
TC151	Theory of Communication	3
TC1111	Introduction to Technical Communication	3
HU100	Contemporary Issues in the Humanities	3
TC233	Introduction to Report Writing and Proposal Writing	3
HU441	Global History II (The World Since 1500)	3
OR402	Professional Guidance	1
TC261	Research Methods	3
TC351	Organizational Communication	3
HU431B	Informal Logic	3
MS331	Business Law	3
SS415	Cultural Dimensions	3
TC172	Desktop Publishing	3
TC242	Persuasive Speech	3
TC452	Interpersonal Communication	3
MS354	Principles of Accounting	3
TC321	Visual Design Techniques	3
TC432	Writing and Editing for Publication	3
TC451	Mass Communication	3
TC453	Intercultural Communication	3
EN342	Group Discussion	3
HU432	Ethics for Professional Managers and Engineers	3
TC332	Advanced Technical Writing	3
TC499	Internship	6
MS322	Macroeconomics	3
HU494	Creative Thinking	3
SS461	Organizational Psychology	3
TC342	Professional Presentation Techniques	3
TC381	Marketing Communications	3
	Humanities/Social Science Electives ²	9

¹ Prerequisite for entrance into this program is an associate degree or the equivalent in applied science, business or science. Students transfer with junior standing and can expect a full two years of advanced credit. In the majority of cases subjects, if needed, may be scheduled with added time for completion of the degree. Also, course substitutions will be made when necessary to avoid duplication of coursework taken to complete associate degree requirements.

² The three HU/SS electives must be taken as one HU one SS and either one HU or one SS.