**TECHNICAL WRITING AND PUBLIC SPEAKING COGNATE**

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**Description**

The cognate in technical writing and public speaking (TWPS) offers students intensive instruction in oral and written communication as important means of addressing technical, professional, or practical problems whose solutions require others' cooperation. Students learn practical precepts for analyzing those "communication situations" and for making informed, strategic decisions when composing oral and written responses in response to them. Students also undergo extensive practice creating standard and, thus, widely applicable forms of spoken and written communication. All students acquire a foundation in effective expression by taking introductory courses in public speaking and in professional and technical writing. Students then build upon that foundation and complete the cognate with one advanced course in either public speaking or professional and technical writing. This cognate is attractive to students who recognize that effective expression is valued in nearly any field of endeavor they are likely to pursue in their post-graduate lives.

Please contact the Liberal Arts Dean's Office for additional information, (603) 862-2062, 110 Murkland Hall.

**Requirements**

**Introductory Courses**

- CMN 500  Public Speaking  4
- ENGL 502  Professional and Technical Writing  4

**Advanced Course**

Choose one of the following:

- CMN 600  Public Speaking as a Civic Art  4
- or ENGL 602  Advanced Professional and Technical Writing

**Total Credits**  12

Credit toward the cognate will only be given for courses passed with C- or better, and a 2.00 grade-point average must be maintained in courses for the cognate. Courses taken on the pass/fail basis may not be used for the cognate.