

Opasraportti

HuTK - Technical Communication 2009-2011 (2009 - 2011)

Tekninen viestintä - Technical Communication

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Technical Communication

Technical Communication is a 25-point study programme designed within the discipline of English Philology in cooperation with language professionals working in information technology companies. The studies combine the perspectives of research and practice and they include topics such as procedural writing, localization, structured documentation, user analysis, text accessibility and visual design. Students will familiarize themselves with the theory and practice of technical communication in the course of project work of different kinds. These studies are strongly recommended for those taking the MA in International Business Communication.

Admission requirements and commencement of studies

The programme is primarily open to English Philology students who are highly competent in English. Information concerning the admission procedure is available on the English Philology website and notice boards in April.

Study counselling

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Learning objectives

The programme offers students an insight into the work of language professionals in the field of information technology. The programme widens the range of opportunities for language students, who wish to specialize in language use and communication in their working lives.

Employment prospects

The programme increases students' prospects of gaining employment in various fields of language work. The digital portfolio prepared on the course functions as a long-term tool for professional development and as a documentation of the students' expertise in technical communication.

Practical information

The studies consist of lectures, workshops and teamwork on projects. Project-based learning, web-based collaborative work and new technologies are the cornerstones of the course.

Courses

Basic Studies (25 pts)

682480P Introduction to Technical Communication (4 pts)
 682481P Theory and Practice of Technical Communication (12 pts)
 682482P Project Studies in Technical Communication (6 pts)
 682483P Media and Tools for Technical Communication (3 pts)

Tutkintorakenteisiin kuulumattomat opintokokonaisuudet ja -jaksot

682480P: Introduction to Technical Communication, 4 op
 682483P: Media and Tools for Technical Communication, 3 op
 682482P: Project Studies in Technical Communication, 6 op
 682481P: Theory and Practice of Technical Communication, 12 op

Opintojaksoiden kuvaukset

Tutkintorakenteisiin kuulumattomien opintokokonaisuuksien ja -jaksojen kuvaukset

682480P: Introduction to Technical Communication, 4 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Humanities

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

4 pts

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

3rd year or later. Autumn semester.

Learning outcomes:

On completion of this course, the students will have a good understanding of the field of technical communication.

Contents:

Introductory lectures on the core areas of the field and project assignments on course topics.

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures, workshops and teamwork on projects.

Target group:

Intermediate and advanced-level students of English Philology.

Recommended optional programme components:

Core skills courses in Basic Studies completed.

Recommended or required reading:

Selected readings.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Active participation and learning journal (blog).

Grading:

0-5

Person responsible:

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682483P: Media and Tools for Technical Communication, 3 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Humanities

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

3 pts

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

3rd year or later. Part (a) autumn semester, part (b) spring semester.

Learning outcomes:

By the time that students complete this course they will have a general understanding of the media and tools used in the field of technical communication, and a strengthened awareness of how to develop their skills and competencies further in view of their career paths.

Contents:

The course familiarises the students with the main types of media and tools in the work of language professionals both in tools workshops and through various project assignments.

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Independent study, group work and workshops reflected in the digital course portfolio.

Target group:

Intermediate and advanced-level students of English Philology.

Recommended optional programme components:

None

Recommended or required reading:

Selected readings.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Self assessment with documentary proof of skills and competencies in the area to be included in the course portfolio.

Grading:

Pass/fail.

Person responsible:

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682482P: Project Studies in Technical Communication, 6 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Humanities

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

6 pts

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

3rd year or later. Spring semester.

Learning outcomes:

By the time that students complete this course they will have gained a thorough understanding and strong practical experience of project management and teamwork in the field of language work.

Contents:

Lectures, workshops and project assignments on course topics.

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Project work including a systematic practice of project management.

Target group:

Intermediate and advanced-level students of English Philology.

Recommended optional programme components:

Core skills courses in Basic Studies completed, and Introduction to Technical Communication.

Recommended or required reading:

Selected readings.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Active participation in one or more projects, learning journal and work documented in the course portfolio.

Grading:

0-5

Person responsible:

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682481P: Theory and Practice of Technical Communication, 12 op

Voimassaolo: 01.08.2005 -

Opiskelumuoto: Basic Studies

Laji: Course

Vastuuyksikkö: Faculty of Humanities

Arvostelu: 1 - 5, pass, fail

Opintokohteen kielet: English

ECTS Credits:

12 pts

Language of instruction:

English

Timing:

3rd year or later. Part (a) autumn semester, part (b) spring semester.

Learning outcomes:

By the time that students complete this course they will have gained a good understanding of the theoretical background of technical communication and strong experience from different kinds of projects in the field.

Contents:

Lectures, workshops and project assignments on course topics.

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures, workshops and teamwork on projects.

Target group:

Intermediate and advanced-level students of English Philology.

Recommended optional programme components:

Core skills courses in Basic Studies completed.

Recommended or required reading:

Selected readings.

Assessment methods and criteria:

Active participation, learning journal and a digital course portfolio.

Grading:

0-5

Person responsible:

Leena Kuure (University Lecturer)

Language of instruction: English

