

Opasraportti

HuTK - Technical Communication (2011 - 2012)

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Admission requirements and commencement of studies

The programme is primarily open to English Philology students with a high level of competence in English. Information concerning the admission procedure is available on the English Philology website and notice boards.

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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 with information technology companies. The studies combine the perspectives of research and practice and include topics such as process 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.

Employment prospects

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

Practical information

Studies within the programme consist of project-based collaborative learning complemented by independent work in an online course environment.

Learning objectives

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

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

Opintojaksojen 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.

Mode of delivery:

Blended learning

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Lectures, workshops and teamwork on projects.

Target group:

Intermediate and advanced-level students of English Philology.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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:

Leena Kuure (University Lecturer)

Working life cooperation:

No

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.

Mode of delivery:

Blended learning

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:

Leena Kuure (University Lecturer)

Working life cooperation:

No

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.

Mode of delivery:

Blended learning

Learning activities and teaching methods:

Project work including a systematic practice of project management.

Target group:

Intermediate and advanced-level students of English Philology.

Prerequisites and co-requisites:

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:

Leena Kuure (University Lecturer)

Working life cooperation:

No

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.

Mode of delivery:

Blended learning

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)

Working life cooperation:

No