# Washtenaw Community College Comprehensive Report

# ENG 209 Technical Writing for Online Delivery Effective Term: Spring/Summer 2024

# **Course Cover**

**College:** Humanities, Social and Behavioral Sciences **Division:** Humanities, Social and Behavioral Sciences **Department:** English & College Readiness **Discipline:** English **Course Number: 209** Org Number: 11300 Full Course Title: Technical Writing for Online Delivery **Transcript Title:** Tech Writing-Online Delivery Is Consultation with other department(s) required: No Publish in the Following: College Catalog, Time Schedule, Web Page Reason for Submission: Three Year Review / Assessment Report **Change Information:** Consultation with all departments affected by this course is required. **Course description Outcomes/Assessment Objectives/Evaluation** 

Rationale: Minor changes needed as a result of course assessment.

Proposed Start Semester: Fall 2024

**Course Description:** In this hands-on course, students will explore the concepts and challenges of single sourcing and topic-based authoring. Building on writing and project management skills learned in the prerequisite course, students will use industry standard software such as MadCap Flare to create technical content that can be customized for online and mobile device delivery.

# **Course Credit Hours**

Variable hours: No Credits: 3 Lecture Hours: Instructor: 45 Student: 45 Lab: Instructor: 0 Student: 0 Clinical: Instructor: 0 Student: 0

Total Contact Hours: Instructor: 45 Student: 45 Repeatable for Credit: NO Grading Methods: Letter Grades Audit Are lectures, labs, or clinicals offered as separate sections?: NO (same sections)

# **<u>College-Level Reading and Writing</u>**

College-level Reading & Writing

College-Level Math No Level Required

### **Requisites**

**Prerequisite** ENG 107 minimum grade "C"

## **General Education**

#### **<u>Request Course Transfer</u>**

### **Proposed For:**

Eastern Michigan University Ferris State University Grand Valley State University Jackson Community College Kendall School of Design (Ferris) Lawrence Tech Michigan State University Oakland University University of Detroit - Mercy University of Michigan Wayne State University Western Michigan University College for Creative Studies Central Michigan University

### **Student Learning Outcomes**

1. Use basic and intermediate features of MadCap Flare.

#### Assessment 1

Assessment Tool: Final Exam Assessment Date: Fall 2025 Assessment Cycle: Every Three Years Course section(s)/other population: All students Number students to be assessed: All students How the assessment will be scored: The assessment will be scored using the Final Exam Rubric, and a Rubric Status Report will be generated and analyzed. Standard of success to be used for this assessment: On average, students will score 80% or better on the final exam. Who will score and analyze the data: ENG 209 instructor

2. Develop a detailed project plan that emphasizes audience and content analysis.

#### Assessment 1

Assessment Tool: Final Submission for Phase 1: Planning Assessment Date: Fall 2025 Assessment Cycle: Every Three Years Course section(s)/other population: All sections Number students to be assessed: All students How the assessment will be scored: The assessment will be scored using the Phase 1 Rubric, and a Rubric Status Report will be generated and analyzed. Standard of success to be used for this assessment: On average, students will score 80% or better on this phase of the project. Who will score and analyze the data: ENG 209 instructor

3. Import, write, and revise technical content to be used in multiple outputs. Assessment 1

Assessment Tool: Final Submission for Phase 6: Publishing

Assessment Date: Fall 2025

Assessment Cycle: Every Three Years Course section(s)/other population: All sections

Number students to be assessed: All students

How the assessment will be scored: The assessment will be scored using the Phase 6 Rubric, and a Rubric Status Report will be generated and analyzed.

Standard of success to be used for this assessment: On average, students will score 80% or better on this phase of the project.

Who will score and analyze the data: ENG 209 instructor

4. Publish content to the student web space.

### Assessment 1

Assessment Tool: Final Submission for Phase 6: Publishing (Generate Rubric Statistic Report) Assessment Date: Fall 2025

Assessment Cycle: Every Three Years

Course section(s)/other population: All sections

Number students to be assessed: All students

How the assessment will be scored: The assessment will be scored using the Phase 6 Rubric, and a Rubric Status Report will be generated and analyzed.

Standard of success to be used for this assessment: On average, students will score 80% or better on this phase of the project.

Who will score and analyze the data: ENG 209 instructor

# **Course Objectives**

- 1. Create a blank MadCap Flare project.
- 2. Import existing Word content that has been designed using styles.
- 3. Draft and revise topics for reuse.
- 4. Incorporate navigation and information access strategies (TOC, search, links, glossary).
- 5. Create and modify style sheets (CSS) and skins.
- 6. Incorporate graphics and add Alt Text and Screen Tips.
- 7. Employ single-sourcing features such as conditional tags and snippets.
- 8. Create and test multiple outputs.
- 9. Develop a detailed project plan.
- 10. Write a clear statement of purpose.
- 11. Create audience persona(s).
- 12. Determine and design the best output(s) for the intended audience(s).
- 13. Develop a detailed outline of content with conditions clearly indicated.
- 14. Apply CSS design principles and skin selection(s) that follow universal design concepts.
- 15. Develop a file naming and file management plan.
- 16. Estimate the hours to complete the project.
- 17. Develop and maintain a detailed milestone schedule.
- 18. Write, format, and import content from Word.
- 19. Use conditions to include or exclude content from various outputs.
- 20. Test content using multiple devices (desktop, phone, tablet).
- 21. Ensure that the final content is clearly written, audience-focused, well-designed, easy to navigate, and carefully tested.
- 22. Collect and organize content for the portfolio.
- 23. Prepare a navigation strategy to access sections of the portfolio.
- 24. Write a brief description of each artifact included in the portfolio.
- 25. Publish the final project and the portfolio to the student web space.
- 26. Write a project wrap-up report.

## **New Resources for Course**

MadCap corporation has agreed to give us a 15-week trial version of Flare to use each time the course is taught; there is no cost involved.

# **Course Textbooks/Resources**

Textbooks Manuals Periodicals Software

# **Equipment/Facilities**

Level III classroom Computer workstations/lab

<u>Reviewer</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Date</u>
Faculty Preparer:		
Lisa Veasey	Faculty Preparer	Aug 02, 2023
<b>Department Chair/Area Director:</b>		
Carrie Krantz	Recommend Approval	Aug 03, 2023
Dean:		
Victor Vega	Recommend Approval	Aug 17, 2023
Curriculum Committee Chair:		
Randy Van Wagnen	Recommend Approval	Apr 03, 2024
Assessment Committee Chair:		
Jessica Hale	Recommend Approval	Apr 10, 2024
Vice President for Instruction:		
Brandon Tucker	Approve	Apr 16, 2024

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# ENG 209 Technical Writing for Online Delivery Effective Term: Fall 2018

### **Course Cover**

Division: Humanities, Social and Behavioral Sciences Department: English/Writing **Discipline:** English **Course Number: 209 Org Number:** 11310 Full Course Title: Technical Writing for Online Delivery Transcript Title: Tech Writing-Online Delivery Is Consultation with other department(s) required: No Publish in the Following: College Catalog, Time Schedule, Web Page Reason for Submission: Course Change **Change Information:** Consultation with all departments affected by this course is required. **Course title Course description** Pre-requisite, co-requisite, or enrollment restrictions **Outcomes/Assessment** Rationale: Name and pre-req changes to eliminate unnecessary course sequencing.

Proposed Start Semester: Fall 2018

**Course Description:** In this hands-on course, students explore the concepts and challenges of single sourcing and topic-based authoring. Building on writing and project management skills learned in the prerequisite course, students use industry standard software such as MadCap Flare and Adobe RoboHelp to create technical information that can be customized for online, and mobile device delivery. The title of this course was previously Technical Writing III.

#### **Course Credit Hours**

Variable hours: No Credits: 3 Lecture Hours: Instructor: 45 Student: 45 Lab: Instructor: 0 Student: 0 Clinical: Instructor: 0 Student: 0

Total Contact Hours: Instructor: 45 Student: 45 Repeatable for Credit: NO Grading Methods: Letter Grades Audit Are lectures, labs, or clinicals offered as separate sections?: NO (same sections)

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College-Level Math No Level Required

## **Requisites**

#### Prerequisite

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### **General Education**

#### **<u>Request Course Transfer</u>**

#### **Proposed For:**

Central Michigan University College for Creative Studies Eastern Michigan University Ferris State University Grand Valley State University Jackson Community College Kendall School of Design (Ferris) Lawrence Tech Michigan State University Oakland University University of Detroit - Mercy University of Michigan Wayne State University Western Michigan University

### **Student Learning Outcomes**

1. Use basic and intermediate features of MadCap Flare and/or Adobe RoboHelp.

#### Assessment 1

Assessment Tool: Final exam Assessment Date: Winter 2019 Assessment Cycle: Every Three Years Course section(s)/other population: All sections Number students to be assessed: All students enrolled How the assessment will be scored: Final exam scoring guide Standard of success to be used for this assessment: 75% of students will score 80% or better on the final exam Who will score and analyze the data: ENG 209 instructor (data may be reviewed by another FT member of the ENG department)

2. Develop a detailed project plan that emphasizes audience and content analysis.

#### Assessment 1

Assessment Tool: Final portfolio (online) Assessment Date: Winter 2019 Assessment Cycle: Every Three Years Course section(s)/other population: All sections Number students to be assessed: All students enrolled How the assessment will be scored: Scoring rubric Standard of success to be used for this assessment: 75% of students will have an average score of 2 of 3 or better Who will score and analyze the data: ENG 209 instructor (data may be reviewed by another FT member of the ENG department)

3. Import, write, and revise technical content to be used in multiple outputs. Assessment 1

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4. Publish content to the student web space.

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#### **Course Objectives**

1. USE MADCAP FLARE AND/OR ROBOHELP

> Use basic and intermediate features of MadCap Flare and Adobe RoboHelp.

> Demonstrate the ability to do the following: create a project, import content, draft and revise topics for reuse, incorporate navigation and information access strategies (TOC, index, links, glossary), create and modify style sheets (CSS) and skins, incorporate graphics, employ single-sourcing features such as conditional tags and snippets, and create and test multiple outputs.

2. PLAN PROJECTS

>Develop a project plan that emphasizes audience and content analysis.

>The project plan will include at least the following: purpose statement, audience analysis, output option analysis, content outline and analysis, CSS design and skin selection(s), file naming and file management plan, estimate of hours to complete the project, and milestone schedule.

>Throughout the project, the student will update the project schedule and report project status to the instructor.

> At the end of the project, the student will write a project wrap-up report.3. CREATE AND TEST CONTENT

>Import and revise technical content to be used in multiple outputs.

>Use conditions to include or exclude content from various outputs.

>Modify and use external style sheets to control content layout and design.

>Test content using simulators and/or actual devices (desktop, smart phone, tablet).

>The final content will be audience-focused, well-designed, easy to navigate, carefully tested, and clearly written.

#### 4. PUBLISH CONTENT

>Collect and organize content for the portfolio.

>Prepare an electronic table of contents.

>Write a brief description of each artifact included in the portfolio.

>Publish the portfolio to the student web space.

#### New Resources for Course

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### **Equipment/Facilities**

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<u>Reviewer</u>	Action	<u>Date</u>
Faculty Preparer:		
Lisa Veasey	Faculty Preparer	Jan 25, 2018
Department Chair/Area Director:		
Carrie Krantz	Recommend Approval	Jan 26, 2018
Dean:		
Kristin Good	Recommend Approval	Jan 29, 2018
Curriculum Committee Chair:		
David Wooten	Recommend Approval	Feb 12, 2018
Assessment Committee Chair:		
Michelle Garey	Recommend Approval	Feb 26, 2018
Vice President for Instruction:		
Kimberly Hurns	Approve	Feb 28, 2018