



# 2022-2023 Certificate

**Certificate:**                   **TECHNICAL WRITER (90-699-8)**

**Credits:**                       **15 Credits**

**Description:**               The Gateway Technical College Technical Writer certificate provides students the opportunity to demonstrate research, planning, writing, and usability skills needed by technical writers. They are able to research users and products; design plans; write conceptual, reference, and task content about technical products and software; and conduct usability testing. Students have experience using authoring tools to develop paper and digital quick start cards, manuals, and user assistance. With this certificate and a degree, they can obtain entry-level employment as a junior information developer or technical communicator.

**Related Program:**           Professional Communications

The sequence shown is the recommended path to completion. Courses will be scheduled in the terms indicated here. All courses should be taken in the order shown to help you stay on track and graduate according to your academic plan. Courses in this program may be offered in a variety or combination of formats (for example: in-person, video conferencing, online, etc.).

### REQUIRED COURSES

NOTE: Requisites (prereq- before/ coreq-with)

**R-D = Racine Days, O = Online, F=Fall, S=Spring, SU=Summer**

✓	<b>Term One</b>	<b>Cr.</b>	<b>Prerequisite</b>	<b>Corequisite</b>	<b>R-D</b>	<b>O</b>
	699-110 Communication Document Design	3			S	S
	699-112 Editing	3			S	S
✓	<b>Term Two</b>	<b>Cr.</b>				
	699-117 Research Fundamentals	3			F	F
	699-137 Writing Product Demonstration	3			F	F
✓	<b>Term Three</b>	<b>Cr.</b>				
	699-138 Writing Software User Assistance	3			S	S
	<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>15</b>				

Students must meet one of the following: minimum cumulative high school GPA of 2.6 (unweighted); earned at least 12 college credits with a minimum GPA of 2.0; or complete valid writing placement assessment.

NOTE: Students must complete a certificate program with a minimum of a 2.0 Program GPA.