

# TECHNICAL COMMUNICATION and INFORMATION DESIGN B.A.

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## GENERAL ACADEMIC INFORMATION

### Minimum Graduation Requirements

- 120 credit hours
- 45 upper-division credit hours (3000-4999 level)
- 2.0 CU cumulative GPA
- Residency: At least 30 credit hours of the degree must be completed while registered in the College of Letters, Arts, and Sciences at UCCS.

### Student Responsibilities

Students are required to know and follow:

- All academic policies set forth by the University, College, and academic department in the UCCS Catalog: [catalog.uccs.edu](http://catalog.uccs.edu)
- All course prerequisites designated by the University. Failure to meet course prerequisites may result in an administrative drop of the course from a student's schedule. See degree audit for course prerequisites within the academic major.

## DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Explore Technical Communication and Information Design: [Technical Communication & Information Design](http://www.uccs.edu/technical-communication-and-information-design)

Major Requirements			
Technical Communication and Information Design (TCID) (51 credit hours)	Course/Area	Course Title	Credit Hours
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Requires a minimum of 42 credit hours of TCID course work, and an additional 9 hours in an area of concentration.</li> <li>• Requires a minimum of 36 credit hours of upper-division (3000-4999 level) TCID course work.</li> <li>• All TCID courses must have a grade of "C-" or better.</li> <li>• A minimum 2.0 GPA must be maintained in all TCID course work taken toward the degree.</li> </ul>	TCID 2080 or TCID 2090	Business and Administrative Writing or Technical Writing and Presentation	3
	TCID 3100	Foundations of TCID	3
	TCID 3110 or ENGL 3110	Technical Communication Style and Analysis or Advanced Grammar	3
	TCID 3120	Technical Editing & Style	3
	TCID 3130	Content Strategy and Management ( <i>spring only</i> )	3
	TCID 3860	UX Research Methods	3
	TCID 3865	UX Design Principles ( <i>spring only</i> )	3
	Practice and Theory Courses	Complete 9 credit hours from the list below: TCID 3080, 3140, 3150, 3160, 3200, 3650, 3750, 3850	9
	Advanced Theory Courses	Complete 9 credit hours from the list below (topics courses can be repeated for credit, if taken with different topics). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TCID 4060 - TCID Diversity Topics (<i>spring only</i>)</li> <li>• TCID 4065 - Intercultural TCID (<i>fall only</i>)</li> <li>• TCIDE 4080 - Special Topics in TCID</li> </ul>	9
	TCID 4090	TCID Senior Portfolio ( <i>spring only</i> )	3
	Required Concentration Area	<b>Complete 9 credit hours in one of the Concentration Areas listed below.</b>	9
		<b>Business Administration</b> ACCT 2010, ACCT 2020, QUAN 2010	
		<b>Cybersecurity Management</b> INFS 3700, INFS 3500, CYSM 4100 <b>NOTE: Take these courses in the order listed.</b>	
		<b>Data Analytics</b> INDS 3600, INDS 3620, TCID 3650	
		<b>Design and Media</b> GDD 1100, VA 1010, VA 1030, VA 1040, COMM 3400	
		<b>Non-Profit &amp; Organizational Writing</b> TCID 3750 ( <i>required</i> ); and Complete two of the following: COMM 3200, ENGL 3010, ENGL 3020	
		<b>Programming Foundations</b> CS 1090, CS 1100, CS 1120, ECE 1001, ECE 1021	

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## General Education and Elective Requirements

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<b>Composition</b> (3 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>ENGL 1310, 1308, or 1305 (<i>Students choosing ENGL 1305 must complete ENGL 1300 first.</i>)</li><li>TCID 2080 or TCID 2090 (included in major requirements)</li><li>Writing Portfolio – PORT 3000 (0 credits) or PORT 4000 (1 credit) or alternative – See Degree Audit</li></ul>	
<b>Reasoning Skills</b> (3 hours)	See the degree audit for course options.	
<b>Core Humanities</b> (3 hours)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>HUM 3990<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>This course also fulfills Navigate and one Writing Intensive course.</li></ul></li></ul>	
<b>Natural Sciences Lab</b> (1 hour)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>See Degree Audit<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>This can be taken as part of an Explore – PNW course that has a lab component</li></ul></li></ul>	
<b>Oral Communication</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>See Degree Audit<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>This course may also fulfill general education or major requirements.</li></ul></li></ul>	
<b>LAS Language other than English Requirement</b>	Complete two semesters of a language other than English equivalent to 1010 & 1020 with high school, transfer, placement exam, or UCCS coursework. <i>Courses taken to fulfill this requirement may also count toward Compass Curriculum Explore - Arts, Humanities and Cultures or general electives. See degree audit for details.</i>	
<b>Compass Curriculum</b> (21 hours) <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Explore and Navigate courses must be taken in departments other than the major.</li><li>Writing Intensive, Inclusiveness, and Sustainability courses may count toward other requirements within the degree.</li></ul>	<b>Component</b>	<b>Course</b>
	<b>Gateway Program Seminar</b>	GPS 1010
	<b>Explore – Arts, Humanities and Cultures (2 courses)</b>	See Degree Audit
	<b>Explore – Society, Behavior and Health (2 courses)</b>	See Degree Audit
	<b>Explore – Physical and Natural World (2 courses)</b>	See Degree Audit
	<b>Navigate</b>	HUM 3990 (included in LAS gen ed requirements)
	<b>Summit</b>	TCID 4090 (included in major requirements)
	<b>Writing Intensive Courses (WIC) (2 courses)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>HUM 3990 (included in LAS gen ed requirements)</li><li>TCID 3120 (included in major requirements)</li></ul>
	<b>Inclusiveness (2 courses)</b>	See Degree Audit
<b>Sustainability</b>	See Degree Audit	
<b>General Electives (38 hours)</b>	Complete additional courses to meet total and upper-division requirements for your degree program.	

## FOUR-YEAR DEGREE PLAN

Please note that this is an *example* degree program and your program may vary. **Students are responsible for completing all course prerequisites.**

Year One	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
		ENGL 1310	3		TCID 2080 or TCID 2090	3
		GPS 1010	3		Reasoning Skills Course ( <i>INDS 1050</i> )	3
		Explore – Arts, Humanities & Cultures Course	3		Explore – Society, Behavior & Health Course	3
		Explore – Physical & Natural World Course	3		Explore – Arts, Humanities & Cultures Course	3
		General Elective	3		General Elective	3
		<b>TOTAL</b>	15		<b>TOTAL</b>	15

Year Two	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
		TCID 3100	3		TCID 3110 or ENGL 3110	3
		Concentration Area Course	3		Concentration Area Course	3
		Explore – Physical & Natural World Course	3		General Elective ( <i>Inclusiveness</i> )	3
		Explore – Society, Behavior & Health Course	3		General Elective ( <i>Sustainability</i> )	3
		General Elective ( <i>Oral Communication</i> )	3		General Elective	2
		Natural Science Lab	1			
		<b>TOTAL</b>	16		<b>TOTAL</b>	14

Year Three	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
		TCID 3120	3		TCID 3130 (spring)	3
		TCID 3860	3		TCID 3865 (spring)	3
		TCID Practice and Theory Course	3		TCID Practice and Theory Course	3
		HUM 3990	3		TCID Practice and Theory Course	3
		General Elective ( <i>Inclusiveness</i> )	3		General Elective	3
		<b>TOTAL</b>	15		<b>TOTAL</b>	15

Year Four	✓	FALL	Hours	✓	SPRING	Hours
		TCID Advanced Theory Course	3		TCID 4090 (spring)	3
		TCID Advanced Theory Course	3		TCID Advanced Theory Course	3
		Concentration Area Course			Upper Division (UD) General Elective	3
		General Elective	3		General Elective	3
		General Elective	3		General Elective	3
			15		<b>TOTAL</b>	15