Graduate Certificate: Scientific Writing

COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Learn more about the graduate certificate in Scientific Writing.

About the Certificate

In science, the ability to write clearly and succinctly is a skill in demand by organizations as diverse as non-profit organizations, pharmaceutical companies, and news outlets. The graduate certificate in Scientific Writing enables students with diverse backgrounds in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) currently employed in those areas to enhance and broaden their skills for their professional advancement. The certificate is a collaborative effort of the College of Science and Technology and the Lew Klein College of Media and Communication.

Campus Location: Main

Full-Time/Part-Time Status: The graduate certificate can be completed on a part-time basis. NOTE: International students may not be eligible to apply for a student visa based on admission to the certificate program. Please contact the program director for more information.

Non-Matriculated Student Policy: Students can take up to 9 credits on a non-matriculated basis. When they complete 9 credits, they must declare their intention to complete the graduate certificate in Scientific Writing by completing and submitting the “Non-Degree Seeking Student Request to Exceed 9 Credits of Graduate Coursework for Certificate Program,” found in TUportal under the Tools tab within “University Forms.”

Admission Requirements and Deadlines

Bachelor’s Degree in Discipline/Related Discipline: All applicants must present credentials that are the equivalent of the appropriate baccalaureate degree at Temple University.

Certificate Requirements

Number of Credits Required to Complete the Certificate: 12 or 13

Required Courses:

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<td>BIOL 5505</td>
<td>Ethics Regulation and Policy in Biotechnology ¹</td>
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Total Credit Hours: 12-13

¹ With approval from the advisor, students may request to waive any one core course and replace it with an alternate course that aligns with the goals of the certificate.

² With approval from the advisor, students may take a graduate-level Journalism course other than JRN 5710.

GPA Required to be Awarded the Certificate: 3.0 minimum

Contacts

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https://www.temple.edu/academics/degree-programs/scientific-writing-certificate-graduate-st-scwr-grad

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