

Professional Writing Certificate

Department Information

- **Program Information:**
ndsu.edu/programs/graduate/professional-writing (<http://ndsu.edu/programs/graduate/professional-writing/>)
- **Department Web Site:**
ndsu.edu/english/ (<http://ndsu.edu/english/>)
- **Credential Offered:**
Certificate

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Certificate Requirements

Graduate Professional Writing

Required Minimum Credits: 8-9

Code	Title	Credits
Choose at least one of the following:		
ENGL 649	Usability and User Experience ²	3
ENGL 655	International Technical Writing ²	3
ENGL 659	Researching and Writing Grants and Proposal ²	3
Choose at least one of the following: ^{1, 2}		
AHSS 672	Introduction to Publishing	3
CHP 660		2
COMM 735	Theories of Media, Technology, and Society	3
COMM 750	Advanced Issues in Communication	3
EDUC 682	Classroom Practice/Methods of Teaching II	2-3
ENGL 656	Literacy, Culture and Identity	3
ENGL 754	Rhetorics of Science, Technology, and Medicine	3
ENGL 758	Topics in Rhetoric, Writing, and Culture	3
ENGL 765	Upper Division Writing: Pedagogy, Practice, and Technology	3
ENGL 795 or ENGL 895		3
MBA 723	Digital Marketing	2
Total Required Credits		8-9

Program Notes:

Graduate students will need to choose a second option from either list to complete the 8-9 total required credits.

¹ A course not on this list may be allowed, subject to Certificate Coordinator approval and relevancy to the certificate and its aims. Only one substitution is allowed.

² A grade of "B" or better in each course is required.

Admission and Application Requirements

Graduate School admission and application requirements are found on the Admission Information (<https://catalog.ndsu.edu/past-bulletin-archive/2025-2026/graduate/admission-information/>) page.