Professional Communication Program

Strong communications skills are the key to success in any discipline. The Professional Communication Program (PCP) helps Johns Hopkins undergraduates and graduate students learn how to improve their communication skills in both academic and professional settings through a variety of hands-on courses designed to develop their abilities to research, write, display data, and speak persuasively.

Starting with the highly popular foundational courses EN.661.110 Professional Writing and Communication and EN.661.250 Oral Presentations, PCP students learn how to design, develop, create, and revise communication-based deliverables for diverse audiences. They also learn how to present pitches and posters at academic conferences, prepare job application materials, practice interviewing for internships and jobs, and speak effectively in a wide array of academic and professional scenarios. At the upper-division and graduate levels, the program expands to include specialized classes and seminars in scientific writing, research and grant writing, engineering culture and ethics, food blogging and travel writing, social media, conduct multimedia PR campaigns, and other relevant topics. All PCP courses are small—19 or fewer students—ensuring that everyone receives the skilled attention necessary to grow as a writer and presenter.

The PCP also hosts a Technical Communication Lab, which is open to undergraduate and graduate students on the Homewood campus. The lab offers free, weekly consultations in technical writing, graphic design, presentation practice, poster development, job interview practice, ESL skills, and other relevant areas.

For current faculty and contact information go to http://eng.jhu.edu/wse/cle/page/our_people (http://eng.jhu.edu/wse/cle/page/our_people/)