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This course is particularly appropriate for students in the College of Health Sciences, the College of Nursing, Pre-Medicine, Dental, other medical fields, and the Professional Writing Program.

As this course is intended for students from a variety of disciplines, it focuses on writing professionally and effectively within medical fields, rather than on writing tasks or formats particular to any one medical specialty.

Course Goals/Learning Objectives
The primary learning objectives of this course are to:

- Address various purposes
- Adapt to various audiences (technical and non-technical)
- Organize documents based on types of messages
- Format professional documents
- Construct sentences that are precise and concise
- Use medical and scientific databases effectively to conduct research
- Analyze and evaluate sources
- Incorporate research into documents
- Cite sources correctly
- Convey written report data in a presentation format

Types of Assignments
The types of assignments that students will complete to achieve the learning objectives may include:
writing short professional documents that provide instructions, policies and procedures, information brochures, and a literature review; researching and writing a report for a professional audience based on a current health issue; and, giving a presentation based on the report.

Prerequisites
Satisfaction of GER English Composition competency requirement. May not be taken credit/no credit.

Required Texts