Technical Writing Tips and Tricks

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Technical writing and communication deals with organizational cultures, social relationships, ethics, and thinking about the structures, systems, and networks in which writing takes place just as much, if not more, than learning how to compose a well-written and executed document.

Accessibility

Accessibility is at the heart of technical writing and communication. Technical communicators are focused on making information useful and usable for audiences, creating and designing welcoming environments for as many people as feasibly possible, and promoting the social well-being of a community, organization, and/or society.

Ethos

Learning to be an effective technical communicator and professional writer is an ongoing process. Through one’s work, a person develops a situated ethos (a reputation) that reflects a particular kind of character. As technical communicators grow into the profession, this character is refined through reflection on how to continue improving their craft.