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## The Minor in Rhetoric and Writing Studies

Designed for students from across the disciplines, the minor in Rhetoric and Writing Studies provides students with an enhanced awareness of the central role of language, imagery, and writing in every major. Students who want to improve their critical reading, writing, and thinking skills, as well as those interested in pursuing graduate work or entering more writing-intensive professions, will benefit from the minor. The minor incorporates a broad range of topics, including rhetorical theory, cultural rhetoric, and literacy and technology.

While virtually all professions require skills in writing, critical reading, and analytical thinking, the RWS Minor is particularly beneficial to students seeking careers in areas such as law, politics, journalism, business, science, engineering, public administration, and education.

The RWS Minor consists of a minimum of fifteen upper-division units (five courses). Six units must be selected from the core courses, RWS 410, 411, and 500W. The additional nine elective units are selected from upper-division courses in Rhetoric and Writing Studies that best suit students' future career and educational goals.

A minimum of six upper-division units must be completed in residence at San Diego State University. In designing the minor, students may not include courses drawn from their major department.

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## Core Courses

RWS 410 (formerly 510)  
Rhetoric and Culture

RWS 411  
Digital Rhetorics

RWS 500W  
Advanced Writing Strategies

## Upper-Division Courses

RWS 360  
Rhetoric of Sustainability

RWS 412  
Issues in Gender and Rhetoric

RWS 413  
The Rhetoric of Comics

RWS 414  
Rhetoric and Visual Culture

RWS 415  
The Craft of Writing Rhetorically

RWS 496  
Topics in Rhetoric and Writing

RWS 501  
Editing

RWS 503W  
Professional Writing

RWS 504  
Advanced Professional Writing

RWS 506  
Writing Internship

RWS 507  
Professional Communications  
in Nonprofit Organization

RWS 508W  
Scientific Writing

RWS 509  
Teaching in Composition in  
Secondary Schools

RWS 512  
Writing Center Practice,  
Research, and Theory

RWS 543  
Rhetoric of Visual Composing

RWS 596  
Special Topics in Rhetoric and  
Writing Studies

**Note:** Prerequisites are required for some classes.

## Interested?

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