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**WED
May 3**

Click [HERE](#) to register.

Click [HERE](#) to see who's already registered.

Class size limited to 20!

CPDs
Program is good for accruing 7.0 (seven) continuing professional development credits.

SCHEDULE

7:30 A.M. – Check-in & b'fast
8:00 A.M. – Program begins (includes lunch)
4:00 P.M. – Conclusion

WHERE

David Evans and Associates
2100 SW River Parkway
Portland, OR 97201

SAVE \$\$! Register by April 3

Learn the Critical Elements of Successful Technical Writing

Correct bad habits and reinforce good habits



All messages fit within a broad communication environment. The large amount of technical information that professionals must consolidate and explain in technical documents requires skills to ensure that the information is understood by the intended audience.

This course explores methods for understanding the communication context, guiding the selection and organization of information, revealing the structural plan for the information, integrating visuals, and communicating with effective sentences and paragraphs.

You will learn the critical elements of technical writing:

- Audience and purpose
- Organizational strategies
- Document design principles (including effective use of graphics)
- Writing and revision methods

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Engineers, scientists, and technical writers and editors who spend much of their time writing, revising, and editing documents will find this workshop useful in honing their technical communication skills.



ABOUT THE SPEAKER

Dr. Jan Spyridakis is Professor in the Department of Human Centered Design & Engineering at the University of Washington. She has a long history of providing high-level instruction both in industry and at the University of Washington. She is the recipient of six teaching and seven research awards.



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Legislative Update - Coba's Capitol Comments



Oregon celebrated turning 158 years old yesterday but her advanced age hasn't slowed the frenetic pace of politics in Salem.

Transportation funding discussions continue with four work groups made up of members of the Joint Committee on

Transportation Preservation and Modernization meeting on Monday and Wednesday evenings. Monday night I attended the Congestion work group chaired by Sen. Brian Boquist, R-Dallas. Other legislators included Sen. Betsy Johnson, Rep. Susan McLain and Rep. Barbara Smith Warner. The work group meets in room H-470 at 5:30 P.M. and the attendees included several local government lobbyists, a lobbyist for the Newberg-Dundee bypass, a lobbyist for Tesla, and ODOT Director Matt Garrett among others. The work group is staffed but no audio or video is available. The work group is looking at many different options for regional funding options primarily to impact Portland congestion but that could also be used in other areas as well. Tolling, surtaxes on gas tax or income tax or property tax, and a host of other options are on the table as they look to fund mega-projects including the Rose Quarter interchange, lane expansion on Highway 217 and the Abernathy Bridge on I-205. Data needs will be filled by ODOT and others who are working quickly to meet some aggressive timelines to put together a package. If ACEC members are interested in attending the work groups are open to the public.

Last week ACEC representatives met with local government lobbyists and procurement staff to discuss qualifications based selection (QBS). To ensure a full and complete understanding of the benefits to both the client and the public, ACEC has pledged an ongoing education campaign in cooperation with the city and county organizations and APWA.

HB 2153, a bill that would register interior designers as well as outline a scope of work, had a hearing last week. ACEC testified in opposition as did AIA. A work group has been formed to seek a compromise bill. ACEC's concerns included the fact that the bill as originally written would have allowed interior designers to be exempt from engineer and architect statutes, ORS 672 and 671, while being able to design and manage construction projects well beyond their current scope.

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DEADLINE

March 1 - 5:00 P.M.

Final deadline for all materials to be submitted to OSAC.

MORE DETAILS

Go to [OSAC \(Oregon Office of Student Access and Completion\) 2017-18 Scholarship Catalog](#) and search for "371." It is scholarship 371: American Council of Engineering Companies of Oregon.

ELIGIBILITY/REQUIREMENTS:

- Must be either a graduating high school senior (including GED students and home-schooled seniors) or have had no previous college education.
- GPA: 3.30+
- SAT score: 1800+ combined SAT scores or ACT composite of 28+
(NOTE: SAT scoring has changed; program administrator at Oregon Office of Student Access and Completion has confirmed that the change from 1800 to 1600 effective March 2016 will be accounted for in applicant pool selection query process; i.e., query practice will convert/determine scores based on the date the applicant took the SAT test to determine which score is required to meet our program specifications.)
- Major: Civil, electrical, environmental or mechanical engineering
- Career field (preference): Applicants interested in the consulting engineering profession
- Colleges: Any Oregon four-year college that offers Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology accredited programs in the major fields of study (currently OIT, OSU, PSU, George Fox, University of Portland; check with your college if unsure of its accreditation)
- FAFSA: Not required - not based on financial need
- Automatically renewable if criteria met

UPCOMING

- April 23-26 – [ACEC National Annual Convention & Legislative Summit](#), Washington, DC
- May 25 – [All Committee \(Business\) Dinner](#), Portland
- June 21 – [Networking Day golf tournament](#), Langdon Farms

ACEC Washington Upcoming Events – ACEC Oregon members receive the member rate!

- Feb 23 – [Effective Price Negotiations with Public Entities](#)
- March 8 – [Lessons for Reducing Risk from Recent Construction Legal Battles](#)
- March 28 – [Mentoring Matters: What it Can Do for You and Your Company](#)

COURTESY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Feb 16 – [Preparing for the Trump Administration—What Employers Can Expect](#)
A Woodruff-Sawyer and Davis Wright Tremaine webinar
Questions? Contact TaraAlvergue@dwt.com



- Feb 23 – [53rd Annual Engineers Week High School Program](#), Portland
- Feb 28 – [10th Annual Mid-Willamette Valley Future Engineers Day Event](#), Keizer

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