

# HISTORY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

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**HSC 207/ ENG 207 The Technology of Reading and Writing (4 Credits)**

Offered as ENG 207 and HSC 207. An introductory exploration of the physical forms that knowledge and communication have taken in the West, from ancient oral cultures to modern print-literate culture. The main interest is in discovering how what is said and thought in a culture reflects its available kinds of literacy and media of communication. Discussions to include poetry and memory in oral cultures; the invention of writing; the invention of prose; literature and science in a script culture; the coming of printing; changing concepts of publication, authorship and originality; movements toward standardization in language; and the fundamentally transformative effects of electronic communication. {L}

**Fall, Spring, Alternate Years**

**HSC 404 Special Studies (4 Credits)**

**Fall, Spring, Annually**