English 210E Technical Writing on the World Wide Web

English 210E is available as a Fall 1995 course exclusively in an online format. Students must access the course through Watstar and Wataco accounts which have been provided for their ENGL210E use by the Arts Computing Office (ACO). The course materials and assignment submissions must be handled only through these accounts. Care must be exercised in avoiding the submission of assignments from computer accounts provided by another faculty or alternative source.

Course access is available through either of the ACO computer labs located in PAS1098 or HH236, and from any other watstar facilities on campus. The ACO will assist students in accessing their accounts through the ACO’s English 210E consultant, Duncan McGregor. Duncan can be reached by phone at the ACO (ext. 3636), by e-mail at dgpmcgre@watarts, or in person at either of the ACO consulting offices (hours are posted on the door).

The course materials can be reached (through the Netscape World Wide Web Browser software on the computer lab machines) by selecting the links from the UW Homepage moving down through Faculty of Arts, English Department, English Courses, and finally English 210E course materials. Alternatively, you may choose to simply enter the course URL (address) in Netscape which will take you directly to the beginning of the course on subsequent visits.

The course URL is:
http://arts.uwaterloo.ca/ENGL/courses/engl210e/index.html

The course syllabus and assignment information is available by clicking on “Modules and Tutorials” and then clicking on the first book, “Eng 210E,” in the bookshelf image map graphic. Throughout the course there are a number of graphics (called image maps) where you can access different information by pointing the mouse at parts of the image and clicking. To return to the image map simply click on the “back” button of the browser.

Course instructions are provided within the online expression of this course -- please rely on the information you receive in e-mail, the course notes online and the news group for dates and details about assignments, group requirements and class news.

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ACO - The Arts Computing Office

The Different Arts Computing Accounts

There are two main types of computing accounts available through the Arts Computing Office. They are the Watarts account and the Watstar Account. Both accounts give you access to the internet and mail but use a variety of different applications.

The Watstar Account

(This includes Grad accounts and Artscourse accounts)

The Watstar account is a Dos account and allows you to use Microsoft Windows.

Useful applications include:

- Word Processing (Word Perfect for Dos and Windows as well as Microsoft Word)
  
  **THIS OPTION IS NOT AVAILABLE WITH THE FREE ACCOUNTS! YOU MUST PAY FOR WORDPROCESSING!**

- E-mail (Pine, Elm & Eudora)

- News

- The Internet (UWinfo, Netscape & Mosaic)

Note: a printing account is required for Postscript laser printing. Most Artscourse accounts do not have word processing capabilities and are terminated at the end of the term.

The Watarts Account

Watarts is a Unix system and access to individual software packages will depend upon how you connect to the system. A telnet connection is text only. An X Window connection can provide a graphical interface.

Useful Applications include:

- News

- Mail (Pine & Elm)

- Statistics (SAS)

- The Internet (UWinfo & Lynx - both are text only browsers)

To work from a home computer

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for a T-server account