

Technical Communication



THESES, CONFERENCE AND JOURNAL
ARTICLES

Theses



- Rite of passage
- Audience = committee of experts
- Process
 - Choosing topic
 - Identify issues
 - Proceed to describe research
 - Describe results
- “How to Complete and Survive a Doctoral Dissertation”

Journal and Conference Articles



- Audience = scientific community
- Describes research, a new process, a proof, ect...
- Very similar in structure

Structure of Journal, Conference Articles



- Abstract
- Introduction
- Related Works (previous works)
- Method
- Results (Experiments)
- Conclusions (+future work)

Reasons journals get rejected



- Reasons given by 85 editors of scientific and technical journals
 - 63 = Not suitable for journal
 - 55 = Questionable significance
 - 39 = Questionable validity
 - 39 = too shallow
 - 35 = bad organization
 - 33 = ineffective expression
 - 26 = too long
 - 11 = ineffective or unusable illustrations
 - 8 = too exhaustive
 - 4 = failure to follow style guide
 - 4 = not timely
 - 4 = too short