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Dear Traci,

We're thrilled to have you join us for the latest edition of the IEEE Professional Communication Society Newsletter, your go-to source for all the latest news and insights in the professional communications community. Our mission is to keep you informed and engaged with the trends, innovations, and developments shaping our industry.

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## Membership and Society News



## AI and ProComm: Society Statement and Resources

The IEEE Professional Communication Society (ProComm) recognizes the profound and accelerating impact of Artificial Intelligence (AI), particularly generative AI, on professional communication practices, including the labor of educators, practitioners, and communicators, across technical, engineering, and professional domains. As stewards of ethical, effective communication, we affirm that AI is not only a technological phenomenon but an integral part of evolving technical information systems that are inherently human, social, and ethical.



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## Elections Results

Elections results have been tallied, and IEEE ProComm welcomes new officers to the Board as well as thanking current Board members continuing in their service to the society. Members that are newly-elected to their positions have an asterisk.

### Current President

**Suzanne Lane**

### President Elect

**Pam Brewer\***

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Membership: **Kira Dreher\***

### Board of Governors: Term ends December 2026

**Bremen Vance**

**Edward Rezek**

### Board of Governors: Term ends Dec 2027

**Aravindhan Anbazhagan**

**Rachel Atherton\***

**Mary Glavan**

**Michael Laudenbach\***

**Andrew Mara**

**Krista Sarraf**

### Board of Governors: Term ends Dec 2028

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**Thomas Gimmy\***  
**Shone Jose\***  
**Robert “Bob” Lyons**  
**Nupoor Ranade\***

**Ex-Officio Members**

**Craig Baehr**, Editor-in-Chief, TPC  
**Ahsan Qamer Sheikh\***, YP Rep

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**Events Information**

ProComm's Outreach Events in **Fall 2025** were widespread and widely attended.

From Michigan, USA to South Africa to India, ProComm was there!



## New IEEE/ProComm online course: Tech Writing



IEEE Educational Activities has just launched a new course, *From Research to Publication: A Step-by-Step Guide to Technical Writing*. The goal is to help early career scientific and technical communicators with their first article publication.

[Find Out More!](#)



## Recap: ProComm at HKN Student Leadership Conference Overview

Held on: 07-09 November 2025

The IEEE HKN Student Leadership Conference was held 7-9 Nov 2025 in Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA. Dr. Mary Glavan, member of the ProComm Board of Governors, presented a workshop titled “From Resume to Relationship: Networking That Recruiters Remember” (see description below).

The workshop was very well-received by the approximately 50 students who attended. Many students expressed interest in developing their professional communication skills generally, and especially for interviews and recruiting conversations.



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## Recap: ELTAI India Outreach Initiative

Held on: 12-15 November 2025

The 19th International and 55th Annual Conference of ELTAI (English Language Teachers' Association of India) based on the theme "Lessons Taught, Lessons Learned: Teacher and Learner Narratives," was held at Christ University, Bengaluru, India, from 12 to 15 November 2025.

A total of 1000 delegates attended. As part of the outreach initiative of IEEE Professional Communication Society, Divya John, ProComm Member, represented the Society and organized a conference stall for a membership drive at the conference venue.



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## Recap: South Africa Event, Aspects of Prof Communication

Held on: 13 November 2025

IEEE ProComm was honored to be part of the IEEE/SAINTS Workshop on Aspects of Professional Communication. There were 54 registrants, with 30 attending in person and 24 online. Participants included 39 students, and eight universities across South Africa were represented, along with two universities outside SA (Botswana and Madagascar).



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## Recap: SIT-Hyderabad Summit + ProComm: Amplifying Impact

Held on: 14-16 November 2025

IEEE ProComm was honored to be part of the IEEE Leadership Summit 2025 (14-16 Nov 2025) organised by the IEEE Symbiosis Institute of Technology, Hyderabad Student Branch. The event was supported by the IEEE Education Society Young Professionals Committee, with the IEEE Professional Communication Society (ProComm) as a Track Partner.



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## IEEE ProComm 2026 Conference: CFP and pre-deadline workshops



12-15 July 2026

## Call for Papers Now Published!

The ProComm 2026 location has been announced! Join us in Alberta, Canada, 12-15 July 2026.



*Conference  
Paper  
Workshop*

Discuss how to develop your idea  
into a full conference paper with  
the organizing committee

We encourage submissions for papers, panels, or workshops that address how “Gateways to culturally-adaptive communication: global and local practices in professional communication” is articulated or realized in professional communication.

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### Chapter/Branch News



## ProComm's Young Professionals rep, Niranjn Kumar S, delivered sessions at two IEEE PCS Student Branch Chapters in India



- **IEEE Vel Tech Rangarajan Dr. Sagunthala R&D Institute of Science and Technology:** This marked the first event after the revamp of their IEEE PCS Chapter, which Niranjn joined online. There were 50+ on-site participants.
- **IEEE Sasi Institute of Technology & Engineering:** Niranjn had the opportunity to inaugurate the IEEE PCS/ProComm Chapter and be part of their IEEE Day 2025 celebrations, which he joined in person. There were 250+ participants in the event.

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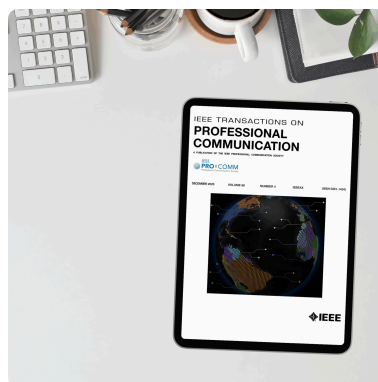
## Publications Information



## Access the December Transactions, now available

The latest issue of the *IEEE Transactions on Professional Communications* is now available!

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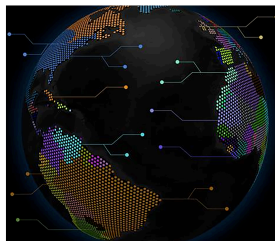
## Letter from new TPC Editor in Chief, Craig Baehr

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With the December 2025 issue of IEEE Transactions on Professional Communication recently published, and the March 2026 issue in progress, I'm looking forward to taking on the role of Editor-in-Chief, having previously served terms as both Deputy Editor and Associate Editor for Transactions. Retiring Editor-in-Chief, Dr. George Hayhoe has done an outstanding job with the journal and I look forward to building upon the diligent work he's done.

I'm confident that Transactions will continue to be among the top-tier journals in technical and professional communication, due to the exceptional work of our authors, editors, reviewers, and staff. Looking ahead, several changes and updates are planned for this year that will continue to leverage the expertise of the editorial staff, improve the journal's impact, and streamline publication timelines for both authors and reviewers. While some changes have been recently implemented, others will be featured throughout the year to come.

**New Associate Editors** will be joining Transactions in January 2026, which will help provide a more balanced representation of IEEE regions and allow the journal to regularly rotate in new volunteers. Once associate editors complete their terms, they will be welcome to join the Board of Reviewers to continue their important work in helping the journal thrive. Our newly appointed associate editors, as of January 2026, include:

- Dr. Kylie Jacobsen, associate professor at Grand Valley State University.
- Dr. Susan Lang, professor at the Ohio State University.
- Dr. Laura Palmer, professor at Kennesaw State University.
- Liz Pohland, board member Potomac Valley Watercolorist Association and technical communication consultant.
- Dr. Ya Sun, professor at the University of International Business and Economics (UIBE) in Beijing, China.

Additionally, I'd like to join Dr. Hayhoe in thanking the outgoing associate editors, who have provided invaluable expertise and assistance to the journal. These include Drs. Rebekka Andersen, Aimee Kendall-Roundtree, Joyce Karreman, and Josephine Walwema, who will be joining our Board of Reviewers.

**Our Board of Reviewers** (formerly the Editorial Advisory Board) will feature new reviewers, while retaining a healthy group of experts from both the academy and industry in technical and professional communication. You will see this update reflected starting with our March 2026 issue.

**Full-color Cover Images** will be featured in each new issue, which aligns with issue topic to improve the visual impact of each issue. Associate editor Dr. Adam Strantz has taken the lead in developing cover images, the first of which was featured on the

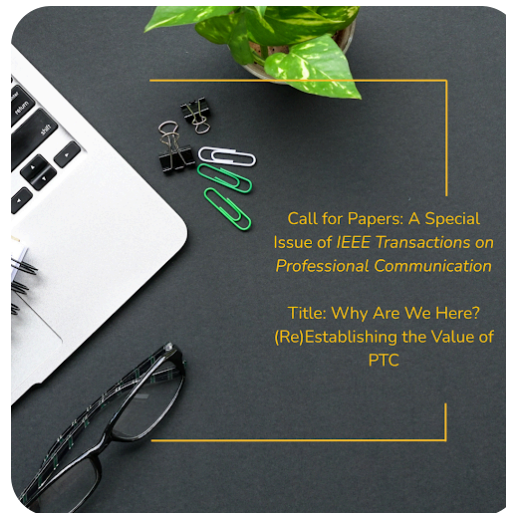
**Calls for Special Issues** will be issued more frequently to highlight future and emerging topics in technical and professional communication. From our recent call posted in late 2025, two future issues we plan to feature include the following submissions:

- **June 2027 Issue:** Why are We Here? (Re)Establishing the Value of Professional and Technical Communication. Drs. Tiffany Portewig & Rochelle Rodrigo, University of Arizona.
- **March 2028 Issue:** AI-Infused Technical Communication: Human-in-the-Loop Approaches to Writing, Pedagogy, and Practice. Drs. Guiseppe Getto & Bremen Vance, Mercer University, and Dr. Geoffrey Sauer, Texas Tech University.

I'm looking forward to an exciting year working with Transactions and look forward to working with our authors, editors, reviewers, and staff. If you have any suggestions or ideas, feel free to email us at [ieee-tpc@ieee.org](mailto:ieee-tpc@ieee.org).



## Deadline alert! CFP: Why are We Here? Call for Contributors



**Call for Papers: (Re) Establishing the Value of Professional and Technical Communications.** IEEE ProComm's journal the *IEEE Transactions on Professional Communication*, welcomes authors for this special edition. The guest editors, Tiffany Craft Portewig (University of Arizona) and Rochelle (Shelley) Rodrigo (University of Arizona), have crafted a powerful framework for this edition to be released in 2026

From the call: This special edition seeks to examine how we establish, demonstrate, and articulate the value of PTC in academic and industry settings in our current landscape. For this issue, we are looking for examples of research into what academic programs and practitioners are doing to address this question and establish value

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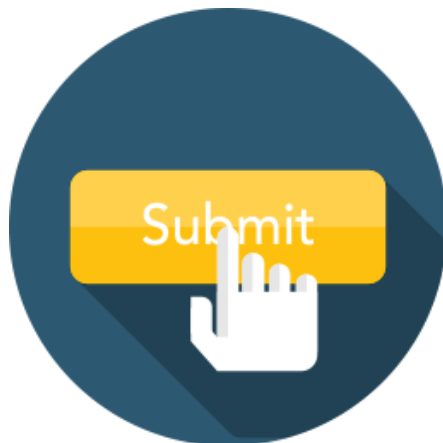
The IEEE ProComm Book Reviews–Digital Collection is a wonderful resource for those looking for specific communication topics. You can also find out more about becoming a book reviewer yourself. Please check out the following book reviews; these are just a few available.

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- Han Yu, Understanding Visuals in the Life Sciences. Reviewed by D. R. Riccomini
- Nell Watson, Taming the Machine: Ethically Harness the Power of AI. Reviewed by G. Getto
- Christian Ilbury, Researching Language and Digital Communication: A Student Guide. Reviewed by J. Gao
- Glenn Adamson, A Century of Tomorrows: How Imagining the Future Shapes the Present. Reviewed by D. Martinez
- Anne Lobeck and Kristin Denham, Navigating English Grammar: A Guide to Analyzing Real Language (Second Edition). Reviewed by B. Denmark



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