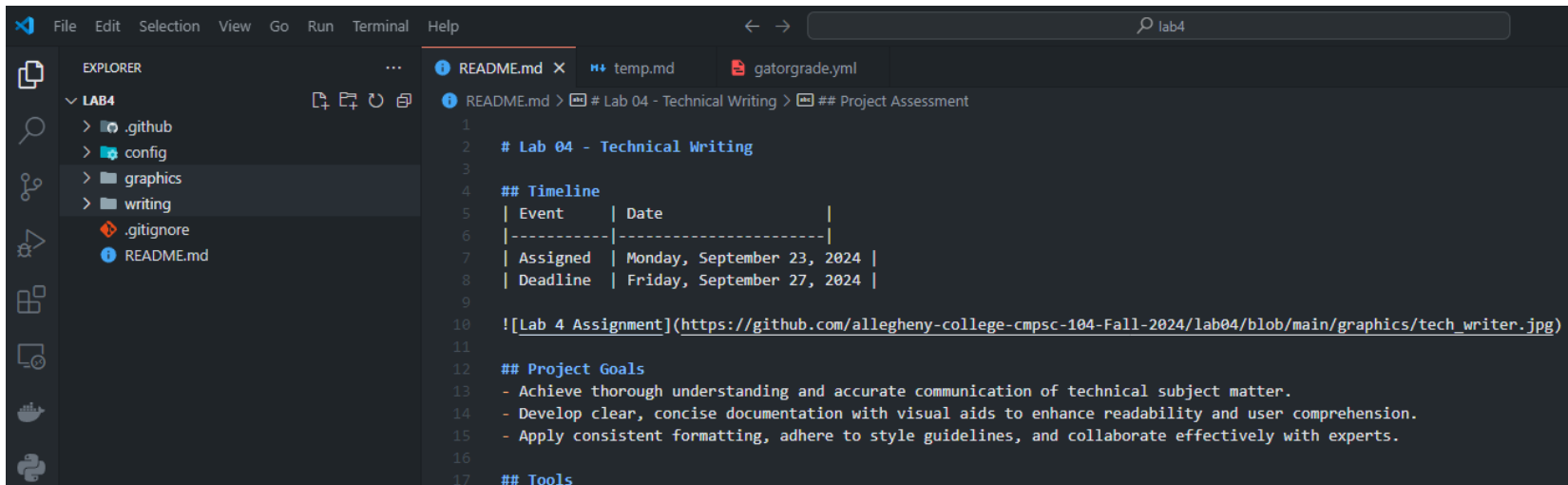**CMPSC 104 – Document Engineering**
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Overview

What is Markdown?

Markdown is a lightweight markup language designed for simplicity, allowing users to format plain text with easy-to-read syntax, such as using # for headings and ** for bold text (e.g., **bold**).

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README.md > # Lab 04 - Technical Writing > ## Project Assessment

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2    # Lab 04 - Technical Writing
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4    ## Timeline
5    | Event      | Date                    |
6    |-----------|-------------------------|
7    | Assigned   | Monday, September 23, 2024 |
8    | Deadline   | Friday, September 27, 2024 |
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10   ![Lab 4 Assignment](https://github.com/allegheny-college-cmpsc-104-Fall-2024/lab04/blob/main/graphics/tech_writer.jpg)
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12   ## Project Goals
13   - Achieve thorough understanding and accurate communication of technical subject matter.
14   - Develop clear, concise documentation with visual aids to enhance readability and user comprehension.
15   - Apply consistent formatting, adhere to style guidelines, and collaborate effectively with experts.
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17   ## Tools
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Overview

Why Use Markdown?

- Versatile: Use it for anything from websites to presentations. (websites, documents, notes, books, presentations, email messages, and technical documentation.)
- Portable: Works across all apps and devices. Easy to switch between Markdown apps without losing data.
- Universal: Compatible with any operating system.
- Future-Proof: Your files remain readable forever, even if the app you use stops working.
- Widely Accepted: Supported on major platforms like Reddit and GitHub.

Getting Started with Markdown

To start using Markdown, try it online without downloading anything. For example, use Dillinger (https://dillinger.io/), a free online Markdown editor where you can type on the left side and see a preview on the right.