

PHOTOGRAPHY

Program Purpose: Students who complete Photography courses will apply technical and aesthetic principles of fine art and/or commercial photography in working with black and white laboratory techniques, in using digital cameras and software, in studio lighting, in evaluating and analyzing photographs, in compositional skills, in the development of a portfolio, in presentation techniques, and in the process of collaboration. Photography majors will be prepared for an entry level position in commercial photography, transfer to a 4-year Fine Arts program, and/or a career related to fine art photography.

This program is designed for students to acquire the skills necessary to enter the very competitive profession of photography. Instruction is provided in both black and white and color photography, analog and digital technologies, along with mastery of the latest equipment.

Commercial Photography Courses

PHTC M31A Studio Lighting I 3 Units

Formerly: PHOT M03; PHOT M31

In-Class Hours: 26.25 lecture, 78.75 laboratory

Prerequisites: PHOT M10 or suitable portfolio

Introduces basic studio lighting techniques and principles utilizing artificial light sources as used in commercial and fine art photographic applications. Emphasizes the control and quality of light. Includes studio and location portraiture.

Grade Modes: Letter Graded, Student Option- Letter/Credit, Pass/No Pass Grading

Field Trips: May be required

Degree Applicability: Applies to Associate Degree

AA/AS GE: None

Transfer Credit: CSU

UC Credit Limitations: None

PHTC M31B Studio Lighting II 3 Units

In-Class Hours: 26.25 lecture, 78.75 laboratory

Prerequisites: PHTC M31A or suitable portfolio

Builds upon basic studio lighting techniques and principles utilizing artificial light sources as used in commercial and fine art photographic applications. Furthers understanding of the control and quality of light in product photography. Includes instruction in photographing reflective and non-reflective surfaces, glass, metal, and food.

Grade Modes: Letter Graded, Student Option- Letter/Credit, Pass/No Pass Grading

Field Trips: May be required

Degree Applicability: Applies to Associate Degree

AA/AS GE: None

Transfer Credit: CSU

UC Credit Limitations: None

PHTC M33 Image Editing 3 Units

Formerly: GR M27; PHOT M33

Same-As: DES M126

In-Class Hours: 35 lecture, 52.5 laboratory

Advisories/Rec Prep: Basic knowledge of computer operating systems, saving files, and image file types

Focuses on image editing, currently using Adobe Photoshop for photography, design, and media arts. Includes appropriate techniques for tonal and color adjustments, creating masks, non-destructive editing, adjustment layers, retouching, and compositing.

Grade Modes: Letter Graded, Student Option- Letter/Credit, Pass/No Pass Grading

Degree Applicability: Applies to Associate Degree

AA/AS GE: None

Transfer Credit: CSU

UC Credit Limitations: None

PHTC M35 Introduction to Photojournalism 3 Units

Formerly: PHOT M08; PHOT M35

In-Class Hours: 35 lecture, 52.5 laboratory

Advisories/Rec Prep: PHOT M10 or suitable portfolio

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Introduces aspects of digital photography applicable to documentary, multimedia, film, mass communication, broadcast and print journalism. Concentrates on translating ideas to images for reproduction in print and multimedia presentations. Stresses storytelling and lighting techniques and explores philosophical, historical and ethical issues in the field of photojournalism. Introduces professional photographic practices.

Grade Modes: Letter Graded, Student Option- Letter/Credit, Pass/No Pass Grading

Degree Applicability: Applies to Associate Degree

AA/AS GE: None

Transfer Credit: CSU, UC

UC Credit Limitations: None

PHTC M37 Professional Practices for Photographers 3 Units

In-Class Hours: 52.5 lecture

Focuses on the principles and practices within commercial photography. Covers issues such as career choices, insurance, promotion, portfolio development, releases, estimates, invoicing, image licensing, and copyright issues for photographers.

Grade Modes: Letter Graded, Student Option- Letter/Credit, Pass/No Pass Grading

Degree Applicability: Applies to Associate Degree

AA/AS GE: None

Transfer Credit: CSU

UC Credit Limitations: None

PHTC M50 Laboratory Practice in Photography I 1.5 Units*Formerly:* PHOT M60D*In-Class Hours:* 78.75 laboratory*Advisories/Rec Prep:* PHOT M10 or concurrent enrollment or suitable portfolio

Provides an opportunity for students who wish additional time in the lab to develop and expand their digital or film processing skills or studio lighting capabilities. Allows students to develop and enhance their commercial photography portfolio geared towards commercial industry specifications.

Grade Modes: Letter Graded, Student Option- Letter/Credit, Pass/No Pass Grading

Family: College faculty have identified courses in the following list as a family: PHTC M50, PHTC M51, PHTC M52, PHTC M53. A student may take a maximum of four (4) courses from this family.

Degree Applicability: Applies to Associate Degree

AA/AS GE: None

Transfer Credit: CSU

UC Credit Limitations: None

PHTC M51 Laboratory Practice in Photography II 1.5 Units*Formerly:* PHOT M60E*In-Class Hours:* 78.75 laboratory*Prerequisites:* PHTC M50

Provides an opportunity in the lab to develop competency and expand the student's digital or film processing skills or studio lighting capabilities.

Allows students to develop and enhance their commercial photography portfolio geared towards competent commercial industry specifications.

Grade Modes: Letter Graded, Student Option- Letter/Credit, Pass/No Pass Grading

Family: College faculty have identified courses in the following list as a family: PHTC M51, PHTC M50, PHTC M52, PHTC M53. A student may take a maximum of four (4) courses from this family.

Degree Applicability: Applies to Associate Degree

AA/AS GE: None

Transfer Credit: CSU

UC Credit Limitations: None

PHTC M52 Laboratory Practice in Photography III 1.5 Units*Formerly:* PHOT M60F*In-Class Hours:* 78.75 laboratory*Prerequisites:* PHTC M51

Provides an opportunity in the lab to develop proficiency and expand the student's digital or film processing skills or studio lighting capabilities.

Allows students to develop and enhance their commercial photography portfolio geared towards proficient commercial industry specifications.

Grade Modes: Letter Graded, Student Option- Letter/Credit, Pass/No Pass Grading

Family: College faculty have identified courses in the following list as a family: PHTC M52, PHTC M50, PHTC M51, PHTC M53. A student may take a maximum of four (4) courses from this family.

Degree Applicability: Applies to Associate Degree

AA/AS GE: None

Transfer Credit: CSU

UC Credit Limitations: None

PHTC M53 Laboratory Practice in Photography IV 1.5 Units*In-Class Hours:* 78.75 laboratory*Prerequisites:* PHTC M52 Applies to Associate Degree

Provides an opportunity in the lab to develop mastery and expand the student's digital or film processing skills or studio lighting capabilities. Allows students to develop and enhance their commercial photography portfolio geared towards advanced commercial industry specifications.

Grade Modes: Letter Graded, Student Option- Letter/Credit, Pass/No Pass Grading

Family: College faculty have identified courses in the following list as a family: PHTC M53, PHTC M50, PHTC M51, PHTC M52. A student may take a maximum of four (4) courses from this family.

Degree Applicability: Applies to Associate Degree

AA/AS GE: None

Transfer Credit: CSU

UC Credit Limitations: None

Photography Courses

PHOT M10 Beginning Photography 3 Units*Formerly:* PHOT M01A*In-Class Hours:* 35 lecture, 52.5 laboratory

Focuses on the technical, expressive, social, and historical aspects of photography. Encourages the development of personal artistic expression and visual perception through the use of various photographic techniques. Includes topics in exposure, composition, content, lighting, digital camera use, and processing of digital photographs. May include instruction in analog film processing and darkroom printing techniques.

Catalog Notes: There is limited availability of both digital and film cameras to loan.

Grade Modes: Letter Graded, Credit by exam, license etc., Student Option- Letter/Credit, Pass/No Pass Grading

Degree Applicability: Applies to Associate Degree

AA/AS GE: None

Transfer Credit: CSU, UC

UC Credit Limitations: None

PHOT M20 Intermediate Photography 3 Units*Formerly:* PHOT M01B*In-Class Hours:* 35 lecture, 52.5 laboratory*Prerequisites:* PHOT M10 or suitable portfolio

Continues the exploration of photography as a creative medium with required technical and conceptual skills. Encourages personal expression through practice and the analysis of historical precedents. Includes such topics as exposure, color, white balance, contrast control, editing, digital printing, scanning negatives, Adobe Lightroom, and fine-tuning the camera. Explores in-depth natural and artificial light, including an introduction to studio lighting. Teaches Medium and Large Format photography techniques.

Catalog Notes: Designed for the student who is serious about photography or who is considering fine art photography or professional photography as a career choice.

Grade Modes: Letter Graded, Student Option- Letter/Credit, Pass/No Pass Grading

Degree Applicability: Applies to Associate Degree

AA/AS GE: None

Transfer Credit: CSU, UC

UC Credit Limitations: None

PHOT M30A Advanced Photography I 3 Units

Formerly: PHOT M04; PHOT M30

In-Class Hours: 35 lecture, 52.5 laboratory

Prerequisites: PHOT M10 or suitable portfolio

Advisories/Rec Prep: PHOT M20

Refines technical and aesthetic understanding in black and white and/or color photography. Includes demonstrations and assignments in advanced photographic techniques such as large format cameras. Emphasizes creative expression, conceptualization, portfolio development, and expansion of the student's understanding of theoretical issues regarding the history and practice of photography. Strengthens the artist's personal statement through major individual projects.

Grade Modes: Letter Graded, Student Option- Letter/Credit, Pass/No Pass Grading

Degree Applicability: Applies to Associate Degree

AA/AS GE: None

Transfer Credit: CSU, UC

UC Credit Limitations: None

PHOT M30B Advanced Photography II 3 Units

In-Class Hours: 35 lecture, 52.5 laboratory

Prerequisites: PHOT M30A

Further refines technical and aesthetic mastery of black and white and/or color photography. Emphasizes demonstrations and assignments in advanced photographic techniques such as large format cameras. Emphasizes creative expression, conceptualization, exhibition quality portfolio development, and increased expansion of the student's understanding of theoretical issues regarding the history and practice of photography. Further strengthens the artist's personal statement through major individual projects.

Grade Modes: Letter Graded, Student Option- Letter/Credit, Pass/No Pass Grading

Degree Applicability: Applies to Associate Degree

AA/AS GE: None

Transfer Credit: CSU, UC

UC Credit Limitations: None

PHOT M40 History of Photography 3 Units

Formerly: PHOT M02

In-Class Hours: 52.5 lecture

Surveys the history of technical developments and aesthetic trends in photography from Daguerre to the present. Explores relationships with history, culture, technology, art, and social values.

Grade Modes: Letter Graded, Student Option- Letter/Credit, Pass/No Pass Grading

Degree Applicability: Applies to Associate Degree

AA/AS GE: 3

Transfer Credit: CSU, UC

UC Credit Limitations: None

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PHOT M80 Work Experience Education in Photography 1-14 Units

In-Class Hours: 54-756 paid cooperative

Enrollment Limitations: Instructor approval and completion of or concurrent enrollment in one course within the discipline.

Provides on-the-job learning to develop effective work habits, attitudes, and career awareness in paid or unpaid work experience that are related to the discipline. Involves the development and documentation of learning objectives and the completion of a paper, presentation, and/or project. Includes both workplace supervisor and faculty adviser feedback and/or written evaluations.

Catalog Notes: To take this course, contact the Career Center; requires orientation session; students receive one unit of credit for each 54 hours of unpaid or paid work; Students may enroll in up to 14 semester units of work experience education per semester or term; there is no limit to the number of terms for which a student may enroll in work experience education.

Grade Modes: Letter Graded, Student Option- Letter/Credit

Repeatable for Credit: Course may be repeated up to a maximum of 14 units of credit.

Field Trips: May be required

Degree Applicability: Applies to Associate Degree

AA/AS GE: None

Transfer Credit: CSU

UC Credit Limitations: None

PHOT M122 Independent Study-Photography 1-3 Units

Formerly: PHOT M22A

In-Class Hours: 52.5-157.5 laboratory

Prerequisites: Completion of one course in photography and instructor approval

Allows independent study for students who wish to extend their knowledge of a particular area of photography through research and study. Utilizes an approved independent project. Includes one-on-one work with instructor. Interested students should contact a photography instructor for assistance in developing a contract for learning about a specific topic.

Grade Modes: Letter Graded, Student Option- Letter/Credit, Pass/No Pass Grading

Degree Applicability: Applies to Associate Degree

AA/AS GE: None

Transfer Credit: CSU

UC Credit Limitations: None

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