

PHOTOGRAPHIC & VIDEO TECHNOLOGY

Use technical expertise, creativity, and composition skills to produce and preserve images and video. Students gain valuable experience in a studio environment with a curriculum that focuses on the design and production of media content.

video & photo | exposure theory | camera operation | commercial media production | editing | studio and location lighting | professional printing

Suggested Abilities

- 8th grade English reading, writing, speaking, and listening
- Understand basic algebra
- Lift 30 pounds
- Sustained activity for 5 hours at a time

Prerequisites

- *High School Students: Meet with a counselor for eligibility requirements*

Class Hours

- Morning: 7:50 am - 10:40 am, Mon. - Fri.
- Afternoon: 12:05 pm - 2:55 pm, Mon. - Fri.

SEMESTER 1

PHO 1021 Photo-Image Capture I

3 credits

Camera operation, handling, and maintenance, exposure control, depth of field, lens characteristics, digital capture, f-stops, shutter speed, metering, histogram, autofocus, bracketing, compensation.

PHO 1061 Digital Capture Processing I

3 credits

Digital imaging workflow from capture to output, including organizing large image libraries and using parametric editing to produce images for various outputs and delivery formats.

PHO 2004 Commercial Studio

3 credits

Creative studio lighting techniques for fine art photography, focusing on portraiture, three-dimensional object photography, and two-dimensional collage photography.

PHO 2032 Professional Portraiture

3 credits

Technical and aesthetic portrait photography—studio and location—exploring personal style, history, visual language, lighting, composition, posing, and equipment selection.

PHO 2045 Contemporary Photo Practices

3 credits

Develop a personal photographic style within a chosen genre, create a unified portfolio, and engage in discussions on historic/contemporary practices, professional workflows, organizations, and ethics.

SEMESTER 2

MGD 1004 Videography

3 credits

Production: camera operation, lighting, sound, and basic digital editing, with detailed study of pre-production, production, post-production, and aesthetics.

MGD1064 Digital Video Editing

3 credits

Digital non-linear video editing: capturing, compressing, editing, and manipulating video on a PC. Covers media management, editing tools, titles, motion control, transitions, filters, and effects.

PHO 1062 Digital Darkroom II

3 credits

Digital image processing and printing: print quality, RAW processing, workflows, digital darkroom terminology, Photoshop actions, and advanced Photoshop techniques.

PHO 2187 Business of Photography

3 credits

Pricing, equipment/studio needs, business forms/planning, registration, self-promotion, and career insights from industry professionals.

PHO 2188 Portfolio & Career Exploration

3 credits

Create digital and print portfolios, learn production techniques, resume/cover letter preparation, promotional materials, presentation skills, and career/education pursuit strategies.

Photographic & Video Technology Certificate

1 Year

30 Credit Hours



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