

Adobe Photoshop Syllabus

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Instructor Information

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Office Location & Hours

N/A

General Information

Description

This course will be a basic introduction to Adobe Photoshop. We will cover cropping, histograms, special effects, naturalization, organizing files, handling raw photos, dodging, burning, wand tools, filters, layers, and cloning and healing.

Expectations and Goals

By the end of this course, my goal is for you to increase your confidence in Adobe Photoshop and be able to enhance photos to match the image in your mind.

Course Materials

Required Materials

- Photoshop
 - Or Lightroom, I can cover both.
- Laptop

Optional Materials

- Camera/Personally taken photos
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Course Schedule

| Week | Topic | Reading | Exercises |
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| 1. | Basic introduction, overview, Dealing with raw images | N/A | Uploading and organizing photos |
| 2. | Basic enhancements, histogram, color naturalization | N/A | Basic enhancement of lighting and color |
| 3. | Dodging and Burning | N/A | Practicing dodging and burning |
| 4. | Filters/Layers | N/A | Applying filters and practicing layering |

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| 5. | Wand Tools | N/A | Use wand tools to enhance photos |
| 6. | Cloning and Healing | N/A | Clone and heal photos |
| 7. | Special Effects | N/A | Use all lessons to finalize photos. |

Homework Schedule- (always due 5 days after class)

| Date | Subject |
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| Week 1 | For me to be able to get to know you as well as understand your photoshop abilities, you will make any edits of your choice to 3 personal photos of you that you'd like to share with me. Be creative, don't be afraid to try new things. Include a short sentence about each photo and the tools you used to edit it. |
| Week 2 | Using only histogram enhancements, make color edits to three photos, turning in the before and after photos along with a short description of what you did to the photo and why. |
| Week 3 | Watch youtube video I've shared in class about lesson we went over, and edit 3 photos using that tool. |
| Week 4 | Using a portrait photo, either found online or taken personally, enhance to make it look as natural and appealing as possible. |
| Week 5 | Find an edited image online and using a raw photo, attempt to clone the edits to make your photo as similar as possible. |
| Week 6 | Begin to work on exam photo, submit one by the homework deadline for feedback, ensuring you use each tool we've learned in class at least once throughout the five photos that will be due. |

Exam Schedule

| Date | Subject |
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| One week after 7 th class | You will submit 5 enhanced photos using the tools we've learned throughout the course. You will write in the caption each adjustment/enhancement that you've made. |

Additional Information and Resources

Resources/Additional Info

This course is a very basic introduction to Photoshop. If you have prior experience, expect to do a lot of review. Good resources are YouTube and Google. (more to come)