

JAMESTOWN COMMUNITY COLLEGE
State University of New York

INSTITUTIONAL COURSE SYLLABUS

Course Title: Photo I: Digital Photography

Course Abbreviation and Number: ART 1670

Credit Hours: 3

Course Type: Lecture/Lab

Course Description: Students will be introduced to the theory, practice and history of photography, with emphasis on the production of digital images. Students will learn the basic principles of digital cameras and digital printing and how to use them in the context of the visual language of photography. This is a hands-on studio art course, which will provide students with the necessary tools to understand the conceptual, visual and historical aspects of photography through lectures, presentations, and discussions.

No requisites.

Student Learning Outcomes:

Students who demonstrate understanding can:

1. Effectively use a digital camera with basic camera and lighting techniques
2. Demonstrate basic image processing skills to balance digital images including density and contrast control, basic black and white conversion, dodging, burning, cropping, and retouching using adobe elements.
3. Apply vocabulary of photography terms to discuss, evaluate and critique photography

Topics Covered:

- Use and handling of DSLR camera and related equipment.
- Adobe Photoshop in relation to photo manipulation and editing, including: balance digital images including density and contrast control, basic black and white conversion, dodging, burning, cropping
- Digital printing
- Contemporary and historical artists incorporating photography and related media into their work
- Visual language in relation to photography.

Information for Students

- Expectations of Students
 - [Civility Statement](#)
 - [Student Responsibility Statement](#)
 - [Academic Integrity Statement](#)
- [Accessibility Services](#)
Students who require accommodations to complete the requirements and expectations of this course because of a disability must make their accommodation requests to the Accessibility Services Coordinator.
- [Get Help: JCC & Community Resources](#)
- [Emergency Closing Procedures](#)
- Course grade is determined by the instructor based on a combination of factors, including but not limited to, homework, quizzes, exams, projects, and participation. Final course grade can be translated into a grade point value according to the following:

A=4.0	B+=3.5	B=3	C+=2.5	C=2	D+=1.5	D=1	F=0
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- Veterans and active duty military personnel with special circumstances (e.g., upcoming deployments, drill requirements, VA appointments) are welcome and encouraged to communicate these to the instructor.

Effective Date: Fall 2022