

Photography

The Photography Program offers students the opportunity to study photography from beginning to advanced levels. Our courses prepare students in a variety of areas, including fine art, editorial, and commercial photography. The program stresses development of creativity while offering a firm grounding in basic skills. Our students will be prepared for positions in the job market or for transfer to a four-year college to continue their education. Students can earn an Associate in Arts.

Program Requirements		Units
PHOT 120	Digital Photography	3
PHOT 100	Elementary Photography	3
OR PHOT 124	Introduction to Film and Darkroom for Digital Photographers	3
PHOT 125	History and Criticism of Photography	3
PHOT 130	Digital Darkroom 1	3
PHOT/JOUR 140	Photojournalism	3
PHOT 160	Photography: Professional Practices	3
PHOT 209	Photographic Portfolio	3
PHOT 220	Commercial Photography	3
PHOT 225	Photographic Portraiture	3
Electives (Select a minimum of 6 units)		
PHOT 105	Intermediate Black and White Photography	3
PHOT 135	Digital Darkroom II	3
PHOT 170	The Photography and Photographers of California	3
PHOT 197A	Photography Topics: Field Studies	1-3
OR PHOT 197B	Photography Topics: Technical Studies	1-3
OR PHOT 197C	Photography Topics: General	1-3
PHOT 210	Advanced Black and White Photography	3
PHOT 212	Landscape Photography	3
PHOT 215	Creative Photography	3
PHOT 216	Alternative Photographic Processes	3
PHOT 296	Special Projects	1-3
TOTAL UNITS		33

COURSE OFFERINGS

Courses numbered under 100 are not intended for transfer credit.

● **THE PROGRAM**

The Photography discipline at Palomar College is a vigorous and comprehensive program that delivers basic through advanced instruction in Commercial, Editorial and Fine Art Photography. We offer innovative and contemporary courses in traditional film/darkroom as well as digital photography. We provide students with marketable photographic skills along with the opportunity for exploring photography as an expressive, communicative tool. Additionally, these courses will satisfy lower division requirements to transfer to four-year institutions or photographic specialty institutions.

We believe that the photographic image is an important part of the human experience and opens doors to intellectual, ethical, and intercultural discourse. In a medium that is ubiquitous and constantly evolving, we believe that technical and visual literacy empowers students to prepare for career goals and social growth.

FOR COURSES REQUIRED TO EARN A DEGREE OR A CERTIFICATE, PLEASE CHECK THE PALOMAR COLLEGE CATALOG, WHICH IS AVAILABLE FOR SALE IN THE COLLEGE BOOKSTORE, OR ONLINE AT www.palomar.edu.

● **CAREER OPPORTUNITIES AND EMPLOYMENT OUTLOOK**

The Palomar College Photography Department prepares students for a wide range of field-related careers as Photography Professionals. Our Darkroom facilities, Studio, and state-of-the-art Digital Classrooms all provide opportunity for learning both traditional and contemporary applications of photography. Jobs in Scientific and Medical Research photography, Photojournalism, Portrait, Wedding and Event Photography, Assisting, Editorial, Corporate, and Advertising photography as well as Digital Editing are typical of careers pursued after going through our program. Many photographers work freelance and are self-employed. Our Portfolio and Professional Practices courses offer guidance for students who plan to enter the workforce. The employment outlook is good for students who demonstrate passion and dedication to photography as a career goal.

CONTACT THE MEDIA STUDIES DEPARTMENT FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.

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For transfer information, consult a Palomar College Counselor.