

Commercial Photography - Certificate of Achievement

+If you have completed coursework at another college and/or are starting in a semester other than a Fall term, please follow up with the Counseling Department to determine if this sequence is appropriate for your academic and career goals.

Program Description:

This program is designed to prepare a student for an entry-level position in a career related to commercial photography such as commercial photographer, digital imaging technician, event photographer, commercial assistant photographer, photography laboratory technician, photography restoration specialist, wedding photographer, portrait photographer, or advertising photographer.

Program SLO:

Demonstrate and apply the technical skills and principles of commercial photography.

Important Information: For students interested in earning an Associate's degree and/or transfer, please follow up with the Counseling Office for additional information @ <https://www.canyons.edu/counseling> or (661)362-3288/(661)362-3811.

Major courses are sequenced and **BOLDED** based on recommendations by the [Photography Department](#).

FA = Fall; WI = Winter; SP = Spring; SU = Summer

First Semester		(1-10 units minimum)	
Course	Title	Units	Major Courses
PHOTO 120	Photographic Studio Etiquette (FA)	1	Major
PHOTO 155	Photography I (FA, SP)	3	Major
PHOTO 157	Digital Imaging (FA, SP)	3	Major
PHOTO 191	Studio Fundamentals I (FA, SP)	3	Major
		Term Totals:	10

Second Semester		(11-23 units minimum)	
Course	Title	Units	Major
PHOTO 156	Photography II (SP)	3	Major
PHOTO 177	Video Capture for Still Photographers (SP)	3	Major
PHOTO 192	Studio Fundamentals II (SP)	3	Major
PHOTO 220	The Business of Photography (FA, SP)	3	Major
CWE 186 PHOTOR CWE 188PHOT	Cooperative Work Experience Education Photography (Unpaid) (FA, SP) Cooperative Work Experience Education Photography (Paid) (FA, SP)	1-4	Major
		Term Totals:	13-16

Total Units: 23+

Counseling Resources

Department Website: <https://www.canyons.edu/academics/photography/index.php>

Counseling Department: <https://www.canyons.edu/student services/counseling/index.php>

Student Photography Club: Parallax <https://www.cocphotoclub.com/>

Honors Program: <https://www.canyons.edu/academics/honors>

Petition for Certificate of Achievement: Petitions are due in the fall/spring/summer term you will complete the requirements and may be submitted before your last term or up until the final day of the term. The petition form must be reviewed with a counselor and may be found here:

https://www.canyons.edu/resources/documents/student services/admissions/Petition_for_Associate_Degree_and_Certificate_of_Achievement.pdf

Career Resources

Photography Career Tree <https://www.canyons.edu/academics/photography/career-tree.php>

California Career Zone: www.cacareerzone.org

O*Net Online: www.onetonline.org

Bureau of Labor and Statistics: www.bls.gov

Professional Associations: <https://www.ppa.com/>