

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) | | |
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| 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) | | |
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| 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/studentervices/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/studentervices/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/>