EL CENTRO COLLEGE
ITSC 1191
SPECIAL TOPICS (INTRODUCTION TO PHOTOSHOP)
SYLLABUS

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Prerequisites: Basic computer literacy and practical experience with Windows 2000/XP or Instructor approval.

Course Description: Topics address recently identified current events, skills, knowledge, and/or attitudes and behaviors pertinent to the technology or occupation and relevant to the professional development of the student. This course may be repeated if topics and learning outcomes vary.

This course uses Photoshop. Opening and saving images, using tools, layering and basic operating skills needed to retouch and manipulate images are discussed. Students will utilize all of these skills in class by working on provided images. Creating photo layouts, promotional pieces and using the color printer are also covered.

Photoshop is not difficult, but it is deep. The aim of this class will be to learn the basic building blocks of Photoshop, which will enable the student to learn the more complex aspects, as they are needed.

This is a 1 credit hour course. (1 lec.)

WECM END-OF-COURSE OUTCOMES: Use a minimum of ten Photoshop tools to edit images for import and export web safe graphics.

STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES:
Upon successful completion of ITSC 1191, students will be able to:

• Demonstrate the correct use of a minimum of ten Photoshop tools on provided images.
• Import and export web safe graphics.
• Utilize the color printer to create photo layouts and promotional pieces.
• Save graphics in a format appropriate for the intended utilization.

COURSE MATERIALS

Textbook: None required

One (1) - 3 1/2" High Density Diskette or
A minimum of 1GB USB Flash drive

A student of this institution (El Centro College) is not under any obligation to purchase a textbook from a university-affiliated bookstore. The same textbook may also be available from an independent retailer, including an online retailer.
MAJOR COURSE REQUIREMENT:
Students will practice concepts and techniques for each lecture unit by completing lab assignments for the following topics:
   - Use the Clone Tools to Enhance a Portrait
   - Create Composite Photos by Using the Selection and Move Tools
   - Create an Invitation Using Layers & Blending Techniques
   - Create a Photo Layout with Text
   - Compare & Contrast Photoshop & Photoshop Elements

A final exam will evaluate the student’s understanding of Photoshop concepts and knowledge presented in each unit

SUBJECT MATTER
Topics covered in the lecture portion of the course include:
   - Introduction to the Basic Photoshop Tools, Menus & Options Bar
   - Creating Composite Photos
   - Layers
   - Photo Layouts
   - Photoshop Elements

DISCLAIMER
The provisions contained in this syllabus do not constitute a contract between the student and El Centro College. These provisions may be changed at the discretion of the Coordinator/Instructiont. When necessary, appropriate notice of such changes will be given to the student.

The instructor-of-record may provide additional information to enhance the course to meet the needs of the enrolled students, provided that the enhancements do not conflict with the official course syllabus.

POLICIES
Students should click on the links below and read all of these policies.

General institutional policies
Course-related institutional policies