

Adobe Photoshop

Adobe Photoshop is the industry standard program and is used extensively for image/graphic manipulation for web, print, photographic and the graphic design industries. In this class you will obtain a solid foundation that will allow even the most novice of users to start creating with flair and ease! This course will encompass daily lessons and assignments, review questions, reading assignments, and thorough analysis of students' assignments by the instructor. If you are a graphic/web designer, digital artist or a photographer, with little or no working knowledge of Photoshop, or even if you are already familiar with Photoshop, this is the course for you!

Day 1: Navigating the Work Area

- Navigating the Work Area
- Setting Preferences
- Working with the File Browser
- Working with Native Photoshop Files
- Creating and Saving a New Document
- The Menu and Status Bar
- Understanding Different File Formats
- Importing and Scanning Images and Artwork
- Keyboard Shortcuts

Day 2: Working with Tools and Images

- Understanding Individual Tools
- The Tool Options Bar and Preset Manager
- Working with Palettes and Context Menus
- Working with Resolution
- Working with the Crop Tool
- Using the Unsharp Mask
- Creating and Optimizing Thumbnails
- The Color Picker
- Color and Swatch Palettes
- Using the Eyedropper
- Using the Info and Navigator Palettes

Day 3: Using Selections, Masks, and Layers

- An Overview of the Selection Tools
- Working with Selections
- Understanding Quick Masks
- The In's and Out's of Layers
- Adding Creativity with Layer Styles
- Working with the History Palette

Day 4: Using the Painting Tools and Color Correction

- Basic Image Retouching using Clone Stamp Tool
- Painting Tools and Techniques
- Creating Patterns and The Pattern Stamp Tool
- All About Gradients

Day 5: Working With Type (text) and Filters

- An Introduction to Type
- The Type Tool
- The Character and Paragraph Palettes
- Transforming Type
- Warp Type
- Type Styles and Effects
- Using Filters Creatively