



Freelance Photography Certificate

PART TIME

This program roadmap represents one possible pathway to complete the program. **Please see a counselor** to create an education plan that is customized to meet your needs. This roadmap is not a guarantee of course availability or financial aid applicability.

Catalog: 2024-25

Total Units: 30.5

Start Term: Fall

First Year

Semester 1 (Fall)

9.5 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT
Req	ART 101 ¹	Lightroom and Photoshop Basics	0.5
Req	ARTPH 300	Basic Film and Darkroom Photography	3
Req	ARTPH 305	Digital Photography	3
RE	ARTH 300 ²	Art Appreciation	3

¹ May be waived by petition with proof of prior knowledge of Adobe Photoshop and Lightroom

² or ARTH 335/ARTPH 345 (*Survey of Photography*)

Semester 2 (Spring)

12 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT
Req	ARTPH 310	Intermediate Photography	3
Req	ARTPH 315	Trends in Software and Social Media for Photographers	3
RE	ARTPH 340 ³	Alternative Process Photography	3
RE	ARTPH 370 ⁴	Fashion, Wedding, and Portrait Photography	3

³ or ART 320 (*Design: Fundamentals*)

⁴ or take ARTPH 350 (*Documentary Photography*) in the fall

Second Year

Semester 3 (Fall)

9 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT
Req	ARTPH 322	Color Photography	3
Req	ARTPH 360	Studio Lighting	3
Req	ARTPH 375	Freelance Photography Careers	2
RE	ARTPH 376 ⁵	Photography Lab: Portfolio Development	1

⁵ or 1 unit of ARTPH 498 (*Work Experience in Art Photography*)

CAREER PATH

Career Options:

This certificate prepares students for careers such as a small photography business owner, studio assistant, studio photographer, freelance photographer, editorial photographer, stock photographer, and photo lab manager.

Advising Notes:

- Students interested in documentary photography are encouraged to take ARTPH 350 in the 3rd semester rather than ARTPH 370 in the 2nd semester, which is intended for students interested in family and lifestyle photography.
- This certificate can be started in the spring as well. [See a counselor](#) to adjust the course work.

Scheduling Notes:

- ARTPH 322, 350, 360, and 375 are offered in the fall.
- ARTPH 310, 315, 340, and 370 are offered in the spring.

Other Notes:

- ARTPH 302, 306, and 361 are not required for the certificate, but provide additional lab time for students who need it.
- Students should select restricted elective options based on future goals. Please read course descriptions carefully.
- Internships in fashion photography are available for photographing the Fashion department's collections and show each spring. Other internships are available through

EXPLANATION OF CATEGORIES

Req	Required Core	A course that is required for this program
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RE	Restricted Elective	A course selected from a list of elective courses specified for this program in the course list in the catalog, which can be replaced with another course from the same list
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the ARC Design Hub and area businesses. Students interested in an internship should enroll in ARTPH 498 the same semester the internship takes place.

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