



Art-Photo A.A. Degree - CalGETC

The Photography Art Program is designed to teach students fine art photography, emphasizing black and white film-based processes. Critical analysis, history, and current theories in photography are also requirements.

Total Units: 61

First Year

Semester 1

15 Units

COURSE	UNITS	PRE-REQS^	SEMESTERS OFFERED*	GE AREA
PHOTO 301 Beginning Photography	3		F, S	
PHOTO 420 History of Photography	3		F, S	Cal-GETC Area 3A
CalGETC Area 1A-English Composition	3	Recommend meeting with a counselor	F, S, Su	Cal-GETC Area 1A
CalGETC Area 6-Ethnic Studies	3		F, S, Su	Cal-GETC Area 6
CalGETC 1B-Critical Thinking & Composition	3		F, S, Su	Cal-GETC Area 1B

Semester 2

15 Units

COURSE	UNITS	PRE-REQS^	SEMESTERS OFFERED*	GE AREA
PHOTO 310¹ Intermediate Photography	3	PHOTO 301	S	
PHOTO 320 Color Photography	3	PHOTO 302 or 400	F, S	
ART 300 Drawing and Composition I	3		F, S, Su	
CalGETC Area 1C-Oral Communication	3		F, S, Su	Cal-GETC Area 1C
CalGETC Area 2-Math Concepts & Quantitative Reasoning	3	Recommend meeting with a counselor	F, S, Su	Cal-GETC Area 2

¹ Also listed as ARTH 310.

Year 2

Semester 3

15 Units

Career

Options/Outlook:

Photographers photograph people, landscapes, merchandise, or other subjects, using digital or film cameras and equipment. May develop negatives or use computer software to produce finished images and prints. Includes scientific photographers, aerial photographers, and photojournalists. **Career opportunities require more than an associate degree.**

A sample of reported job titles:

Advertising Photographer, Commercial Photographer, Newspaper Photographer, Owner/Photographer, Photo Editor, Photographer, Photojournalist, Portrait Photographer, Sports Photographer, Studio Owner

Projected job openings in California (2020-2030):

1,810

Projected growth in California (2020-2030):

27% growth

Median Salary in California (2021):

\$46,630/yr

COURSE	UNITS	PRE-REQS^	SEMESTERS OFFERED*	GE AREA
ART 304 Figure Drawing I or	3	ART 300	F, S	
ART 361 Printmaking: Survey	3		S	
ARTH 300 Art Appreciation	3		F(O), S(O), Su	Cal-GETC Area 3A
PHOTO 365¹ Alternative Process Photography	3	PHOTO 301	F	
Elective²	3		F, S, Su	
CalGETC Area 4-Social & Behavioral Sciences	3		F, S, Su	Cal-GETC Area 4

¹ Also listed as ARTH 340.

² Suggestion-PHOTO 260 The Eastern Sierra Landscape, Yosemite Valley (2 units), S; Required for the Certificate in Fine Art Photography. Units needed to total 60 units for graduation. Refer to Course Number for the appropriate course level necessary for the degree.

or

Suggestion-PHOTO 272 Lightroom (1.5 units) and PHOTO 277 Creating Digital Portfolio (1.5 units) or PHOTO 273 Video Capture with DSLRs (1.5 units). Units needed to total 60 units for graduation. Refer to Course Number for the appropriate course level necessary for the degree.

Semester 4

16 Units

COURSE	UNITS	PRE-REQS^	SEMESTERS OFFERED*	GE AREA
PHOTO 360 Large Format Photography	3	PHOTO 310	S	
CalGETC Area 3B-Humanities	3		F, S, Su	Cal-GETC Area 3B
CalGETC Area 4-Social & Behavioral Sciences¹	3		F, S, Su	Cal-GETC Area 4
CalGETC 5A-Physical Sciences	3		F, S, Su	Cal-GETC Area 5A
CalGETC Area 5B-Natural Sciences	3		F, S, Su	Cal-GETC Area 5B
CalGETC Area 5C-Lab	1		F, S, Su	Cal-GETC Area 5C

^You must have passed the prerequisite course(s) with a "C" or better; Corequisite must be taken during the same semester; Advisory means it is recommended but not required to enroll in the course.

*(O) = online available (P) = partially online

¹ Suggestion-JOUR 310 Mass Media & Society (3 units).

Source:

<https://www.onetonline.org/link/summary/27-4021.00>

Transfer notes:

Please meet with a counselor for specific transfer course evaluation or transferring to a specific 4-year institution.

General Education (GE):

Non-specified GE courses identified by CRC or Cal-GETC Area without pre- or co-requisites can be taken at any semester.

This program meets the requirement for

the Certificate of Achievement in Fine Art Photography; The certificate requires a minimum of 3 units from PHOTO 260, 272, 273, 275, 277, 278, or 350.

Honors option:

The CRC Honors Program is designed specifically for academically accomplished students and for students with the potential for high achievement. Students who complete 15 units or more in honors-designated courses will earn special recognition as an Honors Scholar, a distinction that may entitle the student to guaranteed transfer and scholarship opportunities at select transfer colleges and universities.

About this map:

This program map 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 map is not a guarantee of course availability or financial aid applicability.

Zero Textbook Costs (ZTC):

The Zero Textbook Costs designation and logo are added to any course that provides free access to all required instructional materials. These are typically shared with students through Canvas. Courses that are designated as ZTC may still require students to purchase supplemental materials such as lab coats, a calculator, art supplies, etc. See full definitions and searching tips on the [Zero Textbook Costs](#) page of the college website.

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