



Photography A.A. Degree - Cal-GETC GE

This program map represents one possible path for completing this program. **Please see a counselor** to create an educational plan that is customized to meet your needs. This path is not a guarantee of course availability or financial aid applicability.

Catalog: 2026-27

Total Units: 60-64

First Year

Semester 1

15-16 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	GE AREA
Maj	PHOTO 302	Beginning Digital Photography	3	
GE		Social & Behavioral Sciences	3	Cal-GETC Area 4
GE	ENGL C1000* / 488 ^H / ESLW 340	Academic Reading and Writing	3-4	Cal-GETC Area 1A
Elec	INDIS 313** / HCD 310	Elective	3	
GE	MATH 300***	Introduction to Mathematical Ideas	3	Cal-GETC Area 2

*If you don't place directly in ENGL C1000 (check your eServices account), you will need to take ENGL 80/ENGL C1000 combo course.

+Prerequisite for ENGL 488: ESL 325 with a grade of "C" or better, or placement through the assessment process

+Prerequisite for ESLW 340: ESL 325 with a grade of "C" or better; or, for students not previously enrolled in ESL writing courses within the Los Rios district, placement through the Los Rios assessment process

**First-time college students who would like to participate in First-Year Experience (FYE) should take INDIS 313. All other students can take HCD 310 or speak with a counselor regarding their choices.

***If you don't place directly in MATH 300 (check your eServices account), you will need to take MATHS 95/MATH 300 combo course.

Semester 2

14-16 Units

Legend

- (H) - Honors
- Elec - Elective
- GE - General Education
- Maj - Required Core
- ME - Major Elective

Disclaimer

Every effort has been made to ensure that what is listed in the SCC Program Paths are accurate. The courses, the course sequencing, and the programs are subject to change without notice by the administration of the Los Rios Community College District and Sacramento City College at the discretion of the district and Sacramento City College. Further, Sacramento City College reserves the right to amend any course or program.

PLEASE SEE AN SCC COUNSELOR.

AA/AS Requirements

Associate Degrees require the following:

1. Completion of a minimum of 60 degree-applicable units with an overall grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 ("C" average). A minimum of 12 units must be completed within the Los Rios Community College District.

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	GE AREA
Maj	PHOTO 312 ⁺	Intermediate Digital Photography	3	
ME	PHOTO 350 ⁺ / JOUR 360 ⁺	Photojournalism	3	
Maj	PHOTO 280 ⁺	Portfolio Development I	2-4	
GE		Critical Thinking and Composition	3	Cal-GETC Area 1B
GE		Ethnic Studies	3	Cal-GETC Area 6

+ Prerequisite for PHOTO 280, PHOTO 312, PHOTO 350, and JOUR 360: PHOTO 302 with a grade of "C" or better; equivalent or technical competency determined by a photography department faculty member upon evaluation of photography portfolio

Second Year

Semester 3

15 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	GE AREA
ME	PHOTO 380 ⁺ / JOUR 364 ⁺	Digital Video Editing and Production	3	
ME	PHOTO 400 ⁺ / 410 ⁺	Major Elective	3	
ME	PHOTO 210 ⁺ / 212 ⁺	Major Elective	3	
GE		Oral Communication	3	Cal-GETC Area 1C
GE		Physical Science	3	Cal-GETC Area 5A

+Prerequisite for PHOTO 380, JOUR 364, PHOTO 400, PHOTO 210, and PHOTO 212: PHOTO 302 and 312 with grades of "C" or better; equivalent or technical competency determined by a photography department faculty member upon evaluation of photography portfolio

+Prerequisite for PHOTO 410: PHOTO 302 with a grade of "C" or better; equivalent or technical competency determined by a photography department faculty member upon evaluation of photography portfolio

Semester 4

16-17 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	GE AREA
Maj	PHOTO 393 ⁺	Lighting I	3-4	

2. Completion of each required course with a grade of "C" or better for a major offered at Sacramento City College.
3. Completion of the California a General Education Transfer Curriculum (Cal-GETC). Areas 1 through 6 must be completed with a grade of "C" or better.

Students with Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate Credit (IB) test scores should notify their Counselor to learn more about how test scores may be used for credit.

Exception: Students who possess a bachelor's (BA/BS) or higher degree from a college or university accredited through a regional accrediting agency recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) are deemed to have satisfied both the general education and graduation competency requirements for an AA/AS degree. Degrees from accredited institutions outside of the US will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

Placement Information

Check your eServices account under "Academic Records" to determine your Math and English placements.

Important Links

- [SCC General Counseling](#)
- [Photography Department](#)
- [Arts & Communication Meta Majors](#)

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	GE AREA
GE		Biological Science	3	Cal-GETC Area 5B
GE		*Associate Lab Component	1	Cal-GETC Area 5C
GE		**Social & Behavioral Sciences	3	Cal-GETC Area 4
GE		Arts	3	Cal-GETC Area 3A
GE		Humanities	3	Cal-GETC Area 3B

+ Prerequisite for PHOTO 393: PHOTO 302 and 312 with grades of "C" or better; equivalent or technical competency determined by a photography department faculty member upon evaluation of photography portfolio

*Cal-GETC Area 5C will not be required if a laboratory activity is included in 5A or 5B.

**Cal-GETC Area 4 requires 2 courses from different disciplines. Select a course from Cal-GETC Area 4 from a different discipline than the previously completed Cal-GETC Area 4 course.