Art: Photography Minor

Coordinator: Fanky Chak

Requires a portfolio review and/or permission of the Photography Coordinator

Photography is both a professional and an academic discipline. Its study expands the scope of students' creativity, fosters an interdisciplinary approach, and strengthens visual literacy and communication skills. In its history, dating from 1816, photography has become one of the most vital and persuasive means of communication and expression. Photography’s technological development as a permanent record was a relatively slow process of trial and error. Upon achievement, photography’s development rapidly transformed popular culture and aesthetics. As photography continues to strongly impact our world, its traditional technologies are still rigorously practiced and also combined with new technologies. Career opportunities for students with a photography minor include fine art photography, digital imaging, laboratory management, editorial photography, advertising and corporate photography; sales, studio and wedding photography; photojournalism (magazine, newspaper, newsletter, etc.); free-lance photography; nature, travel and stock photography; graphic arts; education; and commercial printing/reproduction.

The photography minor provides students with a foundation of basic photography principles in photography. It also offers both introductory and specialized courses, which provide a range of media and approaches emphasizing critical theory, methodology, and the history of the discipline.

Photography Minor for Non-Art Majors:
AFA 280/Photography I
ADA 283/Digital Photography
AFA 381/Photography II
AAH 280/Histories of Photography
AFA 281/Documentary Photography

or
AFA 305/Art Photography

Photography Minor for Fine Arts Majors:
AFA 280/Photography I – already required for Majors
Additional minor requirements:
AAH 280/Histories of Photography
AFA 281/Documentary Photography or AFA 305/Art Photography
ADA 283/Digital Photography
AFA 381/Photography II
AFA 391 Independent Project

Photography Minor for Graphic Design Majors:
AFA 280/Photography I
AAH 280/Histories of Photography
ADA 283/Digital Photography
AFA 281/Documentary Photography or AFA 305/Art Photography
AFA 381/Photography II

Photography Minor for Digital Arts Majors:
AFA 280/Photography I and ADA 283/Digital Photography already required for Majors
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Additional minor requirements:
AAH 280/ Histories of Photography
AFA 281/ Documentary Photography
AFA 305/ Art Photography
AFA 381/ Photography II
AFA 391 Independent Project