

LABETTE COMMUNITY COLLEGE BRIEF SYLLABUS

SPECIAL NOTE:

This brief syllabus is not intended to be a legal contract. A full syllabus will be distributed to students at the first class session.

TEXT AND SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIALS USED IN THE COURSE (if any):

Please check with the LCC bookstore <http://www.labette.edu/bookstore> for the required texts for this class.

COURSE NUMBER: ART 120

COURSE TITLE: PHOTOGRAPHY I

SEMESTER CREDIT HOURS: 3

DEPARTMENT: Art

DIVISION: General Education

PLACEMENT TEST LEVEL: General Education Course Placement

PREREQUISITE: None

COURSE DESCRIPTION:

This course is designed for the amateur photographer or for someone who wants to explore photography including discussion on types and operation of cameras, composition, exposure, lighting, and basic photo editing techniques. Students must have access to an adjustable digital camera for the entire length of this course.

COURSE OUTCOMES AND COMPETENCIES:

Students who successfully complete this course will be able to:

1. Operate and know parts and functions of a digital adjustable camera.

- Identify and use manual and automatic aperture, shutter speed, and ISO settings.
- Properly focus using auto focus and manual techniques.
- Demonstrate proper care of camera.
- Demonstrate proper technique in holding camera.

2. Utilize knowledge of elements of composition to synthesize own compositional style.

- Identify and apply rules of composition to enhance visual interest.

3. Control aperture and shutter speed to make proper exposures.

- Demonstrate an understanding of how aperture and shutter speed affect exposure.
- Demonstrate ability to control sharpness of an image through depth of field.
- Demonstrate ability to stop action, blur action and pan.
- Use aperture and shutter speed settings to produce creative results.

4. Utilize basic lighting techniques.

- Utilize available light to make a properly exposed photo.
- Understand how to obtain a proper exposure using a flash.
- Understand basic studio lighting set-up.

5. Develop computer literacy skills.

- Demonstrate proficiency working with file storage media and transfer of files to computer.
- Demonstrate ability to organize and store images on various storage devices.
- Understand photographic file formats for web and print.
- Utilize photo editing software to correct and/or enhance overall photographic composition.

6. Respond critically to and articulate a personal reaction to photographic images.

- Demonstrate an understanding of photographic terminology.
- Demonstrate an understanding of the aesthetic aspects of photography as an expressive medium.