Photography, Commercial

Associate of Arts – Photography for academic transfer coursework.

Department Website:
https://www.collin.edu/photography

Program Options:
AAS – Commercial Photography
Certificate Level 1 – Studio Production
Certificate Level 2 – Commercial Photography Specialist

The photography programs at Collin College strive to prepare students for placement into the commercial photography industry. The department teaches historic and contemporary photographic practices and offers training for students to pursue a career in photography. After completion of the AAS Commercial Photography degree, or commercial photography certificates, a student will be prepared in a variety of commercial shooting styles, natural, studio, and location lighting, management of a commercial studio, assisting professionals photographers, art directors, and stylists and be prepared to freelance and/or start an independent photography practice.

Students planning to transfer to a college or university should check with the Collin academic advisors. Also check the degree requirement of the intended transfer college prior to beginning this program to verify course degree applicability.

AAS – Commercial Photography
60 credit hours

FIRST YEAR
First Semester
ARTS 1313  Foundations of Art
(See Humanities / Fine Arts options)
ARTS 2348  Digital Photography I
PHTC 1371  Book, Design, and Presentation
ENGL 1301  Composition I
PHTC 2340  Photographic Studio Management

Second Semester
GEN ED  Mathematics / Natural Sciences course
PHTC 1300  Digital Photography II
PHTC 1353  Portraiture I
PHTC 2331  Architectural Photography

CREATIVE COURSE 1

SECOND YEAR
First Semester
PHTC 1341  Color Photography I
PHTC 2349  Digital Photography III
PHTC 2371  Video for Photographers
SPCH 1321  Business and Professional Communication
(See Speech options)

TECHNICAL COURSE 2

Second Semester
PHTC 1345  Illustrative Photography I
PHTC 2343  Portfolio Development
(Capstone)
PHTC 2353  Portraiture II
PHTC 2380  Cooperative Education – Commercial Photography
SOCI 1301  Introduction to Sociology
(See Social / Behavioral Sciences options)

1. Select one Creative course (3 hours): ARTS 1311, ARTS 2356 or PHTC 1343
2. Select one Technical course (3 hours): PHTC 1347, PHTC 1351 or PHTC 2342

Certificate Level 1 – Studio Production
15 credit hours

FIRST YEAR
First Semester
ARTS 1313  Foundations of Art
ARTS 2348  Digital Photography I

Second Semester
PHTC 1353  Portraiture I
PHTC 2371  Video for Photographers
(Capstone)

CREATIVE COURSE 1

1. Select one Creative course (3 hours): ARTS 2356 or PHTC 1300

Please refer to http://www.collin.edu/academics/programs/index.html for the most current information.
Certificate Level 2 – Commercial Photography Specialist
36 credit hours

Prior to being admitted into this program, the student must have earned the Certificate Level 1 – Studio Production or have permission of the Associate Dean.

Students must be TSI complete.

FIRST YEAR
First Semester

PHTC 1300 Digital Photography II
PHTC 1371 Book, Design and Presentation
PHTC 2340 Photographic Studio Management

CREATIVE COURSE ¹

Second Semester

PHTC 1341 Color Photography I
PHTC 2331 Architectural Photography
PHTC 2349 Digital Photography III

TECHNICAL COURSE ²

SECOND YEAR
First Semester

PHTC 1345 Illustrative Photography I
PHTC 2343 Portfolio Development (Capstone)
PHTC 2353 Portraiture II
PHTC 2380 Cooperative Education – Commercial Photography

1. Select one Creative course (3 hours): ARTS 2356 or PHTC 1343
2. Select one Technical course (3 hours): PHTC 1347, PHTC 1351 or PHTC 2342