



# COURSE SYLLABUS

Adobe Photoshop

Course: NEPE 102



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## **Avtech Institute of Technology Course**

Instructor:

Course Duration:

Date/Time:

Training Location:

## **Course Description**

This course covers all of the following materials:

- State the primary roles of Photoshop as a premier graphic design and image editing tool
- Productively utilize the photoshop environment, including the use of Layers, Panels, Channels, Paths, the Toolbox, and the Options Bar
- Utilize effectively multiple methods to create and save selections
- Utilize effectively multiple methods of manipulating the exiting artwork and workspace
- Apply painting, retouching, airbrushing, filters, and adjustment and layer style methods
- Understand the difference between raster and vector graphics, and its progressive evolution to the photoshop space
- Show understanding of multiple image types and the best application of each for graphic design, print and the Web
- Be introduced to advanced theories including the mask, alpha channel and clipping path.
- A diploma, and the skills necessary to gain an entry-level position in Graphic Design & Animation
- The knowledge to create images and graphics in Photoshop, and to use Macromedia Flash to create Internet presentations
- The skill to use Adobe Premier to create digital video and audio files
- The training to use 3D Studio MAX to generate animations and 3D images
- The ability to create interactive web sites
- The proficiency to build multimedia presentations using Macromedia Director

## **Learning Objectives**

### **1. Getting Acquainted with Photoshop**

- 1.1. The Photoshop Environment
- 1.2. Palettes and the Palette Well
- 1.3. Creating Custom Workspaces
- 1.4. Opening Images
- 1.5. Using the File Browser
- 1.6. Image Magnification
- 1.7. Viewing Document Information
- 1.8. Moving the Image

- 1.9. Undoing Mistakes and The History Palette
- 1.10. Displaying Drawing Guides
- 1.11. Making Measurements
- 1.12. Adding Annotations
- 1.13. Setting Preferences
- 2. Basic Image Manipulation**
  - 2.1. Bitmap Images
  - 2.2. Vector Images
  - 2.3. Image Size and Resolution Settings
  - 2.4. Scanning Images
  - 2.5. Creating New Images
  - 2.6. Placing Files
- 3. Color Basics**
  - 3.1. Color Modes and Models
  - 3.2. Color Mode Conversion
  - 3.3. Previewing Color Differences Between Operating Systems
  - 3.4. Color Management
  - 3.5. Foreground and Background Colors
  - 3.6. Using the Color Picker
  - 3.7. Selecting Colors with the Color Palette
  - 3.8. Selecting Colors with the Eyedropper Tool
  - 3.9. Selecting Colors with the Swatches Palette
- 4. Painting Tools**
  - 4.1. Painting Tools
  - 4.2. The Brush Tool
  - 4.3. Blending Modes
  - 4.4. The Pencil Tool
  - 4.5. The Eraser Tool
  - 4.6. The Magic Eraser Tool
  - 4.7. The Background Eraser Tool
  - 4.8. Using the Art History Brush
  - 4.9. Using the History Brush
- 5. Brush Settings**
  - 5.1. Using the Brushes Palette
  - 5.2. Creating Custom Brush Tips by Selection
  - 5.3. Creating Custom Brush Tips in the Brushes Palette
  - 5.4. Setting Shape Dynamics
  - 5.5. Setting Brush Scattering
  - 5.6. Setting Brush Texture
  - 5.7. Setting Dual Brushes
  - 5.8. Setting Color Dynamics
  - 5.9. Setting Other Dynamics
  - 5.10. Miscellaneous Brush Settings
  - 5.11. Clearing Brush Settings

- 5.12. Saving a Customized Brush
- 5.13. Saving a Customized Brush Library

## **6. Making Selections**

- 6.1. Selection Basics
- 6.2. Making Pixel Selections
- 6.3. The Marquee Tools
- 6.4. The Lasso Tools
- 6.5. The Magic Wand Tool
- 6.6. Selecting by Color Range
- 6.7. Adjusting Pixel Selections
- 6.8. The Extract Command
- 6.9. Copying and Pasting Pixel Selections
- 6.10. Saving and Loading Selections

## **7. Filling and Stroking**

- 7.1. Applying Fills
- 7.2. Using the Paint Bucket Tool
- 7.3. Using the Gradient Tool
- 7.4. Using the Gradient Editor
- 7.5. Using Patterns
- 7.6. Using the Pattern Maker
- 7.7. Stroking

## **8. Layers**

- 8.1. Using Layers and Layer Sets
- 8.2. Creating Layers and Layer Sets
- 8.3. Stacking and Linking Layers
- 8.4. Moving Layer Content with the Move Tool
- 8.5. Locking Layers
- 8.6. Common Layer Management Tasks
- 8.7. Merging and Flattening Layers

## **9. Advanced Layers**

- 9.1. Layer Styles
- 9.2. Adjustment Layers and Fill Layers
- 9.3. Masking Layers
- 9.4. Creating Clipping Groups
- 9.5. Creating Knockouts

## **10. Text**

- 10.1. Text Basics
- 10.2. Entering Text
- 10.3. Selecting Text
- 10.4. Editing the Bounding Box
- 10.5. Creating a Type Selection
- 10.6. Applying Effects to Type Layers
- 10.7. Using the Character Palette
- 10.8. Checking for Spelling Errors

## 10.9. Using the Paragraph Palette

### 11. Drawing

- 11.1. Raster vs. Vector
- 11.2. Shape Layers and Shape Options
- 11.3. Using the Shape Tools
- 11.4. Using the Pen Tools
- 11.5. Using the Anchor Point Tools
- 11.6. Using the Paths Palette
- 11.7. Working with Paths

### 12. Using Channels and Masking

- 12.1. Using the Channels Palette
- 12.2. Using Channels
- 12.3. Spot Colors
- 12.4. Blending Channels and Layers
- 12.5. Masks
- 12.6. Using Alpha Channels

### 13. Manipulating Images

- 13.1. Changing the Canvas Size
- 13.2. Rotating and Flipping Images
- 13.3. Cropping Images
- 13.4. The Free Transform Command
- 13.5. The Smudge Tool
- 13.6. Blurring and Sharpening Images
- 13.7. Using the Dodge Tool and the Burn Tool
- 13.8. The Sponge Tool
- 13.9. Filters and The Filter Gallery
- 13.10. The Liquify Command
- 13.11. The Clone Stamp Tool
- 13.12. The Pattern Stamp Tool
- 13.13. The Healing Brush Tool
- 13.14. The Patch Tool
- 13.15. The Color Replacement Tool

### 14. Getting to Know the Work Area

- 14.1. Starting to work in Adobe Photoshop
- 14.2. Using the tools
- 14.3. Using the tool options bar and other palettes
- 14.4. Undoing actions in Photoshop
- 14.5. Customizing the workspace
- 14.6. Jumping to Adobe ImageReady
- 14.7. Using Photoshop Help
- 14.8. Using Adobe online Services
- 14.9. Toolbox overview

**15. Using Adobe Bridge**

- 15.1. Viewing and editing files in Adobe Bridge
- 15.2. Embedding information for easy identification
- 15.3. Searching with Adobe bridge
- 15.4. Using favorites and Collections
- 15.5. Automating routine tasks
- 15.6. Acquiring stock photography

**16. Basic Photo Corrections**

- 16.1. Strategy of retouching
- 16.2. Resolution and image size
- 16.3. Getting started
- 16.4. Straightening and cropping an image
- 16.5. Making automatic adjustments
- 16.6. Manually adjusting the tonal range
- 16.7. Removing a color cast
- 16.8. Replacing colors in an image
- 16.9. Adjusting lightness with the Dodge tool
- 16.10. Applying the Unsharp Mask filter
- 16.11. Comparing automatic and manual results
- 16.12. Saving the image for four-color printing

**17. Retouching and Repairing**

- 17.1. Repairing areas with the Clone Stamp tool
- 17.2. Using the Spot Healing Brush tool
- 17.3. Using the Healing Brush and Patch tools
- 17.4. Retouching on a separate layer

**18. Working with Selections**

- 18.1. About selecting and selection tools
- 18.2. Selecting with the Magic Wand tool
- 18.3. Using the Magic Wand with other selection tools
- 18.4. Working with oval and circular selections
- 18.5. Selecting with the lasso tools
- 18.6. Rotating a selection
- 18.7. Selecting with the Magnetic Lasso tool
- 18.8. Cropping an image and erasing within a selection

**19. Layer Basics**

- 19.1. About Layers
- 19.2. Using the Layers Palette
- 19.3. Rearranging layers
- 19.4. Applying a layer style
- 19.5. Flattening and saving files
- 19.6. Photoshop for kids

**20. Masks and Channels**

- 20.1. Working with masks and channels
- 20.2. Creating a quick mask
- 20.3. Editing a quick mask
- 20.4. Saving a selection as a mask
- 20.5. Editing a mask
- 20.6. Loading a mask as a selection and applying an adjustment
- 20.7. Extracting an image
- 20.8. Applying a filter effect to a masked selection
- 20.9. Creating a gradient mask
- 20.10. Applying effects using a gradient mask

**21. Correcting and Enhancing Digital Photographs**

- 21.1. About Camera raw
- 21.2. Processing camera raw
- 21.3. Processing camera files
- 21.4. Correcting digital photographs
- 21.5. Editing images with a vanishing-point perspective
- 21.6. Correcting image distortion
- 21.7. Creating a PDF portfolio

**22. Typographic Design**

- 22.1. Creating a clipping mask from type
- 22.2. Creating a design element from type
- 22.3. Using interactive formatting controls
- 22.4. Warping point type
- 22.5. Designing a paragraph of type
- 22.6. Warping a layer
- 22.7. Review questions and answers
- 22.8. Dancing with Type

**23. Vector Drawing Techniques**

- 23.1. About bitmap images and vector graphics
- 23.2. About paths and the pen tool
- 23.3. Using paths with artwork
- 23.4. Creating scalable objects for the background
- 23.5. Working with defined custom shapes
- 23.6. Importing a Smart Object

**24. Advanced Layer Techniques**

- 24.1. Creating paths to clip a layer
- 24.2. Creating layer sets
- 24.3. Creating an adjustment layer
- 24.4. Creating a knockout gradient layer
- 24.5. Importing a layer from another file
- 24.6. Applying layer styles
- 24.7. Duplicating and clipping a layer
- 24.8. Liquifying a layer
- 24.9. Creating a border layer
- 24.10. Flattening a layered image

**25. Vector Compositing**

- 25.1. Automating a multistep mask
- 25.2. Setting up a four-image montage
- 25.3. Hand-coloring selections on a layer
- 25.4. Changing the color balance
- 25.5. Applying filters

**26. Creating Links Within an Image**

- 26.1. Slicing and image in Photoshop
- 26.2. Jumping to ImageReady
- 26.3. Creating image maps in ImageReady
- 26.4. Saving linked images in an HTML file

**27. Creating Rollover Web Visuals**

- 27.1. About rollovers
- 27.2. Creating rollover states
- 27.3. Creating remote rollovers
- 27.4. Saving the page as HTML



**28. Animating GIF Images for the Web**

- 28.1. Creating animations in Adobe ImageReady
- 28.2. Animating by hiding and showing layers
- 28.3. Animating with layer opacity and position
- 28.4. Using vector masks to create animations

**29. Producing and Printing Consistent Color**

- 29.1. Reproducing colors
- 29.2. Specifying color-management settings
- 29.3. Proofing an image
- 29.4. Identifying out-of-gamut colors
- 29.5. Adjusting an image and printing a Proof
- 29.6. Saving the image as a separation
- 29.7. Printing

**Prerequisite**

Familiarity with PC

**Contact Hours**

\_\_\_\_\_ Contact Hours (Lecture \_\_\_\_ Hours / Lab \_\_\_\_ Hours)

**Semester Credit Hours**

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**Text / Lab Books**

Adobe Photoshop.CS2 Class Room In book New Full-color Edition

Adobe Press

ISBN 0-321-32184-7

**Teaching Strategies**

A variety of teaching strategies may be utilized in this course, including but not limited to, lecture, discussion, written classroom exercises, written lab exercises, performance based lab exercises, demonstrations, quizzes and examinations. Some quizzes may be entirely or contain lab based components. A mid-course and end course examination will be given.

## Method of Evaluating Students

### Grade Distribution

Project 1 (Collage)	25%
Project 2 (CD)	25%
Project 3 (Jewel Case Cover and Insert)	25%
Class Participation	10%
Attendance	15%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>

## Grading Policy

At the end of each course, each student is assigned a final grade as follows:

Point Range	Interpretation	Grade	Quality Points
90 – 100	Excellent	A	4.0
80 – 89	Very Good	B	3.0 – 3.9
70 – 79	Average	C	2.0 – 2.9
60 – 69	Poor	D	1.0 – 1.9
Below 60	Failure	F	0
N/A	Withdrawal	W	0
N/A	Pass	P	0
N/A	Incomplete	I	0

A student earning a grade of D or above is considered to have passed the course and is eligible to pursue further studies. A student receiving a grade of F has failed the course. A failed course must be repeated and passed to meet Avtech Institute's graduation requirements, in addition to an overall program GPA of 2.0.

## Requirements for Successful Completion of the Course

At a minimum, students must achieve the following:

- 1.0 A passing grade of **D** or above
- 2.0 Completion of all required examinations
- 3.0 Submission of all required lab exercises and projects and;
- 4.0 Adherence to the school attendance policy.

## Equipment Needed

Industry standard desktop computer for lab exercises.

Equipment Breakdown Lab room

Videos and Projector

## Library Assignments

To be determined by the instructor.

## Portfolio Assignment

Student program outcome portfolios are required to demonstrate student competencies. In conjunction with your course structure, please select a project/paper that best demonstrates what you have learned in this course and add it to your program portfolio.

## Course Policies

### Disruptive Behavior

Disruptive behavior is an activity that interferes with learning and teaching. Inappropriate talking during class, surfing inappropriate website, tardiness, cheating, alcohol or drug use, use of cell phone, playing loud music during class, etc. all disrupt the learning process.

### Copyright Infringement

Specific exemptions to copyright infringement are made for student use in the context of learning activities. Graphic design students often download images from the Internet, or scan images from publications. As long as this work is for educational purpose, and subject to faculty permission, this is not a problem.

### Plagiarism

Faculty cannot tolerate the *misrepresentation of work as the student's own*. This often involves the use by one student or another student's design, whether voluntarily or involuntarily. In the event that plagiarism is evident and documented, all students involved in the conscious decision to misrepresent work must receive an F as the grade for the project. A second occurrence may result in suspension for the rest of the quarter, and return to the school only after a review by the Academic Standards Committee.

## Attendance

### Attendance and Lateness

In education and the workplace, regular attendance is necessary if individuals are to excel. There is a direct correlation between attendance and academic success. Attendance is mandatory. All students must arrive on time and prepared to learn at each class session. At the faculty member's discretion, students may be marked absent if they arrive more than 15 minutes late to any class.

More than five absences in a class that meets twice per week or more than two absences in a class that meets once per week may result in a failure.

## **Make-Up Work**

### **Late Projects and Homework**

All projects and homework must be handed in on time. Homework should be emailed to your instructor if you are going to miss a class. Work that is submitted one week late will result in the loss of one full grade; and work that is submitted two weeks late will result in the loss of two full grades; more than two weeks late you will receive a failing grade on the project.