

Course/ Calendar/Schedule (subject to change)

Semester 1 Quarter 1, Sept. 6 – Nov. 9

Week 1: Getting acquainted with the technology and programs we will use this year. Getting to know your camera and its basic features. Getting a Flickr.com account and learning to use the Flickr site. Getting an account with a local store that does printing (Walgreens, Walmart, Rite Aid, Fred Meyer, or an Internet photo site such as Snapfish.com or shutterfly.com) .

Week 2: First photo assignment, take pictures in various locations and lighting situations. Upload photos to Flickr.com. **First written assignment**, record the vital information of your Flickr account, camera you have to use, experience in photography, and what you hope to get out of this course. Learn the basic functions of a camera and the terminology used to talk about cameras and photography.

Week 3: Composition in photographs. Text book information and online. Be able to see the composition the photographer used in sample photographs. Practice seeing and capturing photos with various kinds. Upload photos to flickr. Written assignment/quiz , identify various kinds of composition in selected photographs.

Week 4: Getting acquainted with GIMP. There is a lot to learn, but only a few basic skills are necessary to get started. Learn how to upload, edit, enhance, and save your photographs. Print a selection of photographs using one of the sites that do one hour printing.

Week 5: Light. Learn to see the quality and direction of light and use light to make interesting photographs. Practice looking for lighting that reveals texture or flattens the subject. Upload to Flickr. Written assignment/quiz, identify the quality and direction of light in selected photographs.

Week 6: Subject, Fall Color. Learn from the text and online at youtube.com Example: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1OQCASFbYBo> Practice and upload pictures to Flickr and work in GIMP to enhance.

Week 7: Table top photography. Practice in lighting and composition in the classroom. Field Trip to photograph the city of Olympia.

Week 8: Lens focal length. Learn how to use different focal lengths creatively. Practice and upload to Flickr. Use GIMP to enhance.

Week 9: Prepare a selection of your photographs for a collage and print an 8x10 print using one of the one hour photo print sites. Quiz on terminology in photography.