

GRAPHICS DESIGN
SYLLABUS

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Photoshop Syllabus

Basic Photoshop

Session	Topic	Outline
Class -1	Introduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Raster vs. Vector• The history of Photoshop• Creating new document• Page preference• RGB vs. CMYK• Understanding Resolution• Understanding Canvas• basic art to start
Class -2	Getting To Know Your Workspace	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Overview of the interface• Manage Workspace• Menu bar, options bar, tools panel, panel dock• Rulers, Grids, and Guides• Measurement tool & change Unit• Different ways to zoom & use Hand tool• Undoing and History panel• Understanding basic tools• Hidden tools on toolbar• Setting up preferences• Common Shortcuts• Different types of Save, Save as & export• Saving files for print• Saving files for web/screen
Class -3 &4	Marque Tool	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use different types Marque tool to select• Fill & Stroke with color• Diffrent types of fill options• Foreground color vs Background colo• Select option from menu - <i>All, Deselect, Reselect, Inverse, All Layers, Deselct Layers, Find & Isolate Layers</i>
Class -5	Understanding Layer Panel	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Different ways to Create a new layer• Different ways to Duplicate layers• Layer Rename & Visibility (Show / Hide)• Layer Thumbnail• Rename Layer• Delete a Layer• Adjustment Layers• Layer Mask
Class -6	Manage Layer & Color	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Manage Layers - <i>select, move or delete layers</i>• Arrange Layers• Align & distribute Layers• Group & ungrouping Layers• Blend Mode of Layers• Layer Filter• Blend Mode• Layer Opacity & Layer Fill• Diffrent types layer Locked• Link Layer, Layer Style

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Advanced Photoshop

Session	Topic	Outline
Class -7	Color Palate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fill layer with - Solid Color / Gradient Color / Pattern • Understand Color picker window & swatches • Create & manage Gradient color • Selecting Colors with the Color Palette • Eyedropper Tool • Swatches Palette
Class -8	Working With Image	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opening Images • Using the File Browser • Types of Place image • Place image vs. Opening image • Understanding Canvas (Image Size & Canvas Size) • Image Rotation and Flip option from menu • Change Color mode of the document • Crop Image • Basic subject selection • Fill with content-Aware Fill • Basic background removal technique <p>** Projects-</p>
Class -9	Canvas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understanding Canvas Size • Creating a New Canvas • Resizing the Canvas (width & Height) • Canvas Orientation (Rotate & Flip) • Types Canvas Cropping • Canvas Trimming • Image Size Vs Canvas Size • Canvas Background • Canvas Vs Artboards
	Theory & Project	<p>Paper size Print technology Business Card - by using Text, image & color</p>
Class - 10	Every tools & Option panel - basic introduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Selection Tools • Crop and Slice Tools • Measurement Tools • Healing and Retouching Tools • Painting and Drawing Tools • Gradient and Fill Tools • 3D Tools • Blur and Sharpen Tools • Dodge, Burn, and Sponge Tools • Pen Tools • Type Tools • Path Selection and Direct Selection Tools • Shape Tools • Navigation Tools

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Class - 11 & 12	Type Tool	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Point vs Paragraph Type • Understanding Character panel • Understanding Paragraph panel • Type on a Path • Warping Type - Round logo • Creating work path from type • Convert type to shapes • Horizontal/Vertical Type Mask Tool • Create a selection in the shape of type • Clipping Mask w/ Type • Popular fonts • Download fonts from internet and Install • Convert type layer to raster layer <p>***Create a project by using typography</p>
Class - 13	Transform From Edit menu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scale • Rotate • Skew • Distort • Perspective • Warp • Rotate & Flip • Puppet Warp • Perspective Warp <p>***Using Transform in different for project</p>
Class -14	Types of Layers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Different types of layers - (Raster / Shape / Text / Smart / Adjustment) • Export Layers to different file • Understand Smart Object and edit • Convert smart Object to Raster layer
Class -15 & 16	Shape Layer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Different types of shapes • Custom shape tool • Fill & Stroke Shape • Use Direct & Path selection tool to edit shape • Combine / Subtract / Intersect / Exclude / Merge • Create new shape and save it • Make shape from marquee • Download shape from internet • Convert Shape layer to raster layer <p>***Create a project - Basic logo by using Shapes</p>
Class - 17, 18, 19 & 20	Mask	<p>Types of Mask -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clipping mask <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -With Shape -With Brush -With Text • Layer mask <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Different Types of Layer mask • vector mask • Quick Masks

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Class - 21	Layer styles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Layer Style • Applying layer styles to multiple layers • Copy, Add, Remove Layer style • Merge Layer style
Class - 22	Making Selections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Selection Basics • Making Pixel Selections • The Marquee Tools • The Lasso Tools • Object Selection / Quick Selection / Magic Wand • Selecting by Color Range • Adjusting Pixel Selections • The Extract Command • Copying and Pasting Pixel Selections • Saving and Loading Selections
Class - 24	Pen tool	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use Pen tool • Curvature pen tool • Freeform pen tool • Convert point tool • Add anchor point tool • Delete anchor point tool
Class - 25	Brush Palette Settings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Using the Brushes Palette • Creating Custom Brush • Creating Custom Brush Tips in the Brushes Palette • Setting Shape Dynamics, Brush Scattering • Setting Brush Texture, Dual Brushes & Color Dynamics • Setting Other Dynamics • Miscellaneous Brush Settings • Saving a Customized Brush • Saving a Customized Brush Library • Download Brush from internet, Install & Use.
	Projects	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Leaflet 2) Foldable Brochure 3) Standee 4) Social Media Ad 5) Book Cover
Class - 26	Image Option from menu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Liquify tool • Clone Stamp Tool • Pattern Stamp Tool • Healing Brush Tool • Patch Tool • Color Replacement Tool • Using content-aware fill • Applying the Unsharp Mask filter

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Class - 27 & 28	Photo Corrections	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategy for retouching • Resolution and image size • Adjusting the color • Brightness / Contrast • Levels / Curves • Vibrance / Hue & saturation • Channel Mixer & Color lookup • Posterize • Gradient Map • Selective Color & match color • Replacing colors in an image
	Filter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Filter Gallery • Liquify • Vanishing Point • 3D • Blur • Distort • Noise • Pixelate • Render • Sharpen • Stylize • Video • Other
	Trending Photo Effects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Double Exposure • Glitch Art • Burning Fire Photo Effect • Vintage Photo Effect • Retro Photo Masks • Artistic Smoke Photo Effect • The Ultimate Watercolor • Text Portrait Mockup
	Automate & Action	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Batch Automation • Exploring Pre-installed Actions • Creating New Actions • Recording Actions • Editing and Modifying Actions • Batch Processing with Actions • Automating Repetitive Tasks • Improving Efficiency in Editing Workflow
	Plugins	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Popular Plugin in photoshop • Implementation of plugins

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Project Details

1. Create Candle
2. Create Emoji
3. Social Media Ad
4. Leaflet
5. Folded Brochure
6. Business Card
7. Movie Poster
8. Photo-manipulation
9. Magazine Cover

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1. Getting Acquainted with Photoshop
 - 1.1. The Photoshop Environment
 - 14.1. 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

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Module 1: Introduction to Photoshop (Weeks 1-2)

Introduction

- Raster vs. Vector
- Creating new images
- Saving files for print
- Saving files for web/screen

Week 1: Getting Started

- Introduction to Photoshop interface
- Using the menu, options bar and other panels
- Undoing actions in Photoshop
- Customizing the workspace
- Tools panel overview
- Understanding basic tools: Move, Marquee, Lasso, Magic Wand, Crop, Eyedropper, etc.

Week 2: Working with Layers and Basic Editing

- Understanding layers: Creating, deleting, and organizing
- Basic layer adjustments: Opacity, blending modes
- Introduction to basic editing tools: Brush, Eraser, Clone Stamp, Healing Brush

Module 2: Image Manipulation (Weeks 3-4)

Week 3: Advanced Selection Techniques

- Refining selections using Quick Selection, Pen Tool, and Refine Edge
- Working with layer masks for non-destructive editing

Week 4: Retouching and Restoration

- Advanced retouching techniques
- Repairing old or damaged photos
- Content-Aware tools for quick fixes

Module 3: Color Correction and Enhancement (Weeks 5-6)

Week 5: Understanding Color

- Color theory and the Color Wheel
- Adjusting color balance, saturation, and vibrance
- Using the Hue/Saturation and Color Balance tools

Week 6: Advanced Color Correction

- Working with adjustment layers: Curves, Levels, Selective Color
- Correcting skin tones and specific color issues

Module 4: Text and Typography (Week 7)

Week 7: Adding Text and Effects

- Creating and formatting text
- Adding layer styles: Drop shadows, bevels, glows
- Typography principles and best practices

Module 5: Graphic Design and Composition (Weeks 8-9)

Week 8: Design Principles

- Understanding design principles: Balance, contrast, unity
- Applying design principles to Photoshop projects

Week 9: Creating Graphics and Posters

- Combining text and images for graphic design
- Creating posters and promotional materials

Module 6: Advanced Techniques (Weeks 10-12)

Week 10: Advanced Filters and Effects

- Using advanced filters: Liquify, Blur, Sharpen
- Applying artistic and creative effects

Week 11: 3D Modeling and Texturing

- Introduction to 3D tools in Photoshop
- Creating 3D text and objects

Week 12: Automation and Batch Processing

- Creating and using actions for repetitive tasks
- Batch processing images for efficiency

Module 7: Final Project and Portfolio (Week 13)

Week 13: Capstone Project

- Applying all learned skills to create a final project
- Building a portfolio showcasing various Photoshop projects

Module 9: Photography and Photo Manipulation (Weeks 16-17)

Week 16: Advanced Photo Manipulation

- Creating surreal and fantasy scenes
- Incorporating multiple images seamlessly
- Mastering advanced blending techniques

Week 17: Professional Photo Editing Workflow

- Implementing a professional photo editing workflow
- Retouching portraits with advanced techniques
- High-end skin retouching and frequency separation

Module 10: Animation and Video Editing (Weeks 18-19)

Week 18: Introduction to Animation

- Creating simple animations using the Timeline
- Understanding keyframes and animation basics

Module 11: Advanced Photoshop Techniques (Weeks 20-21)

Illustrator Syllabus

**-Introduction to
Adobe Illustrator-**

**Session 1: Introduction to
Adobe Illustrator**

- Creating Your First Document from Template
- Overview of the interface
- Manage Workspace
- Show Tools, control & panels
- Setting up preferences
- Create and manage Artboard
- Rulers, Grids, and Guides
- Navigation tools (Zoom, Hand)
- Understanding others basic tools
- Common Shortcuts
- Print Document
- Save, Save as & export

**Session 2:
Basic Drawing and
Editing**

- Creating basic shapes
- Editing path & anchor point (cut & join)
- Understanding others tools
- Using Fill color & outline (stroke)
- Using control panel (Align, Transform)
- Creating basic art using shapes
- Drawing with the Pen tool

**Session 3: Working with
Layers and Groups**

- Understanding the Layers panel
- Creating and organizing layers
- Grouping and ungrouping objects
- Show / Hide layers
- Lock / Unlock layers
- Arrange

**Session 4: Color and
Swatches**

- Exploring the Color panel
- Applying and editing colors
- Creating and managing swatches
- Working with color harmonies.
- Advanced color blending and shading.
- Creating color schemes for specific moods.

**Session 17:
Custom Shapes &
Advanced Pathfinder
Operations**

- Understanding Shapes & line
- Mastering Pathfinder tools
- Creating complex shapes through operations
- Combining and dividing shapes
- Using Shape builder tool
- Path option from menu (Outline stroke, Offset Path)

**-Weeks 1-2: Flat
Cartoon Design-**

**Session 5: Character
Design Basics**

- Setting up an artboard for flat cartoon illustrations.
- Basic shapes and their use in flat design.
- Anatomy of a flat cartoon character.
- Drawing simple facial features and expressions.
- Adding details and accessories.

**Session 6: Building
Scenes and Environ-
ments**

- Designing simple flat backgrounds and landscapes.
- Creating scenes with characters and objects.
- Exploring perspective in flat design.

**Session 8: Gradient and
Patterns**

- Types of fill color - (Solid, Gradient, Pattern)
- Types of Gradient fill (linear, radial, freeform)
- Creating & applying gradients to objects
- Creating and editing gradient meshes
- Working with patterns

-Weeks 3-4: Advanced Drawing Techniques-

Session 7: Drawing with Brushes and Symbols

- Using the Brush tool
- Creating and editing custom brushes
- Creating symbols & working with symbols
- Incorporating symbols into designs.

Session 9: Advanced Pen Tool Techniques

- Mastering the Pen tool for intricate designs
- Creating complex shapes and paths
- Working with curvature and anchor point handles

Session 10: 3D Effects and Perspective

- Introduction to 3D effects
- Applying perspective and extrusion
- Creating realistic 3D objects

-Weeks 5-6: Typography and Text Effects-

Session 11: Working with Text

- Adding and formatting text
- Text manipulation tools
- Creating text effects

Session 12: Text on a Path and Textures

- Placing text on a path
- Applying textures to text
- Creating text-based designs

Session 13: Typography and Hierarchy

- Understanding typography principles
- Establishing text hierarchy
- Creating visually effective text layouts

Session 14: Advanced Typography Effects

- Warping text
- Applying envelope distortions
- Creating stylized text effects

-Weeks 7-8: Advanced Techniques and Project Work-

Session 15: Advanced Blending and Transparency

- Blending objects and colors
- Applying transparency and opacity
- Creating complex gradients

Session 16: Clipping Masks and Opacity Masks

- Creating and using clipping masks
- Applying opacity masks for creative effects
- Masking techniques for complex designs

Session 18: Project Work and Critique

- Participants work on a comprehensive project applying all learned techniques
- Group critique and feedback session

**-Weeks 9-10:
Expert Level and
Special Topics-**

Session 19: Automation with Actions and Scripts

- Creating and using actions for repetitive tasks
- Introduction to scripting for advanced automation

Session 20: Integration with Other Adobe Creative Cloud Apps

- Working seamlessly with Photoshop and InDesign
- Integrating Illustrator with other Creative Cloud apps

Session 21: Industry Best Practices and Efficiency Tips

- Time-saving techniques
- File organization and management
- Collaboration and workflow optimization

Session 22: Final Project and Portfolio Development

- Participants work on a final project showcasing their skills
- Building a portfolio with Illustrator projects
- Presentation and discussion of portfolios

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Vector Design Tools (Adobe Illustrator)	Photoshop Syllabus		
Week03	Lesson01	Vector shape principles	
-	Quality Vs. Size		
-	Scalable Drawings		
-	Artistic Techniques		
-	Samples of Vector Art works		
	Lesson02	Shape design tools and modification	
-	Drawing (Pen tool, brush and pencil)		
-	Typography		
-	Primitives Shapes		
Week04	Lesson03	Vector Paint and Color	
-	Fill Color Types		
-	Gradient Options		
-	Swatches Library		
	Lesson04	Stroke Styles	
-	Stroke Color		
-	Stroke Options		
-	Brush Library		
-	Brush Types and Creations		
Week05	Lesson05	Shape Modification	
-	Transformation Attributes (rotate, shear, ... etc)		
-	Shape Modifications (Bloat, wrap, ... etc)		
-	Slicing Tools		
-	Reshape Tool		
	Lesson06	Shape Effects	
-	Symbol Sprayer		
-	Blend Shape		
-	Mesh Tool		
-	Live Paint		
Week06	Lesson07	Layout and file management tools	
-	Alignments		
-	Grid and Guidelines		
-	Layers		
-	Multiple Pages File		
	Lesson08	Typography	
-	Character Options		
-	Paragraph options		
-	Glyphs		

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-	Create Outline		
-	Create Character Style		
Week07	Lesson09	Compound Shapes	
-	Shape Modes		
-	Pathfinder		
-	Mask Types		
-	Blending Modes		
	Lesson10	Filters and Effects	
-	Shape fine tuning		
-	Creating your Graphic Styles Library		
-	3D Form and Style		
Week08	Review	Review	
	Exam	Midterm Exam	20%
Vector art Workshops			
Week09	Workshop	Tracing Techniques	
-	Auto Tracing (B&W, Grayscale and Color)		
-	Manual tracing using Pen tool		
-	Artistic Tracing Techniques		
	Exercise	Poster of Fashion Design	
Week10	Workshop	Advanced Vector Shapes design techniques	
-	Logo Design		
-	Configuration and theme creation		
	Exercise	Logo and ID design	
Week11	Workshop	Advanced Stroke and brush techniques	
-	Brush Types and Creation		
-	Decoration Designs		
-	Islamic Art		
	Exercise	Religious Phrase	
Week12	Workshop	Advanced Typography	
-	Art of Typography		
-	Character reshaping		
	Exercise	Proverb design	
Week13	Workshop	Advanced Layout Design	
-	Multiple Pages Format		
-	Creative Context design		
	Exercise	Brochures design	
Final Project			
Week14	Discussion	Final Project initiation	