Photo Retouching with Photoshop Spring Semester 2007

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Welcome to a semester of increasing your digital skills. This course focuses on becoming familiar with the basic photo retouching techniques from the program Adobe Photoshop.

Required Materials:

A computer with internet access and the program Adobe Photoshop (version CS (8.0) or higher)

Course Objectives:

- Understand the importance of retouching photos
- Learn to use the auto adjustment features
 - o Auto Levels
 - o Auto Contrast
 - o Auto Color
- Learn to adjust the brightness/contrast, apply variations, and select photo filters to an image
- Learn to use the healing brush tool
- Learn the shadow/highlights tool

Instructional Methods:

Various methods will be used including readings, virtual discussions, flash video, and hands-on editing. Students should download the class manual and files to follow along with the different sessions.

Tentative Agenda (see website for detailed descriptions):

Session 1: Introduction, Sign up for forum, Post introduction

Session 2: Understanding the importance of retouching photos, Learning the auto adjustment features

Session 3: Learning to manually retouch a photo

Session 4: Learn the healing brush tool

Session 5: Learn the shadow/highlights tool

Session 6: Review, Final assignment

Assignment Percentages:

Participation in online discussions	-	5%
Class work	-	10%
Final assignment: 3 photos = 15% e	each =	45%
Final assignment: Explanation	-	40%

 $\begin{array}{l} \mbox{Grading Scale:} \\ A = 90\text{-}100 \\ B = 80\text{-}86 \\ C = 70\text{-}76 \\ D = 60\text{-}66 \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{l} B + = 87\text{-}89 \\ C + = 77\text{-}79 \\ D + = 67\text{-}69 \end{array}$

I look forward to a great semester. Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns! $\textcircled{\mbox{$\odot$}}$