

**NOVA COLLEGE-WIDE COURSE CONTENT SUMMARY**  
**PHT 101 - PHOTOGRAPHY I (3 CR.)**

**Course Description**

Teaches principles of photography and fundamental camera techniques. Requires outside shooting and lab work. Lecture 1 hour. Laboratory 4 hours. Total 5 hours per week.

**General Course Purpose**

Introduces fundamental techniques of photography including digital camera operation. Explores the medium as a fine art and means of communication.

**Course Prerequisites / Corequisites**

None

**Course Objectives**

Upon completing this course, the student will be able to:

- Operate a digital camera
- Control exposure competently
- Recognize and adjust color balance competently
- Manage digital image files competently
- Solve formal and aesthetic problems effectively
- Discuss work in the medium using appropriate vocabulary

**Major Topics to be Included**

- Focus, Frame, And Lens Selection
- Aperture, shutter, ISO, and histograms
- Basic color theory and white balance
- Digital image file management
- Formal considerations and aesthetics of the medium
- Fundamental concepts and theory of the medium

**Extra Topics** (optional)

May be included per discretion of instructor.