



Photoshop Course Structure:

Lesson 1: INTRODUCTION TO ADOBE PHOTOSHOP CS4

1. About Photoshop
2. Navigating Photoshop
3. Menus and panels
4. Opening new files
5. Opening existing files

Lesson 2: Getting Started with Photoshop

1. Exploring the Toolbox
2. The New CS4 Applications Bar & the Options Bar
3. Exploring Panels & Menus
4. Creating & Viewing a New Document
5. Customizing the Interface
6. Setting Preferences

Lesson 3: Working with Images

7. Zooming & Panning an Image
8. Working with Multiple Images, Rulers, Guides & Grids
9. Undoing Steps with History
10. Adjusting Color with the New Adjustments Panel
11. The New Masks Panel & Vibrance Color Correction Command
12. The New Note Tool & the Save for Web & Devices Interface
13. The New Auto-Blend & Auto-Align Layers Commands
14. The New 3D Commands

Lesson 4: RESIZING & CROPPING IMAGES

1. Understanding Pixels & Resolution
2. The Image Size Command
3. Interpolation Options
4. Resizing for Print & Web

5. Cropping & Straightening an Image
6. Adjusting Canvas Size & Canvas Rotation

Lesson 5: WORKING WITH BASIC SELECTIONS

1. Selecting with the Elliptical Marquee Tool
2. Using the Magic Wand & Free Transform Tool
3. Selecting with the Regular & Polygonal Lasso Tools
4. Combining Selections
5. Using the Magnetic Lasso Tool
6. Using the Quick Selection Tool & Refine Edge
7. Modifying Selections

Lesson 6: GETTING STARTED WITH LAYERS

1. Understanding the Background Layer
2. Creating, Selecting, Linking & Deleting Layers
3. Locking & Merging Layers
4. Copying Layers, Using Perspective & Layer Styles
5. Filling & Grouping Layers
6. Introduction to Blending Modes
7. Blending Modes, Opacity & Fill
8. Creating & Modifying Text

Lesson 7: PAINTING IN PHOTOSHOP

1. Using the Brush Tool
2. Working with Colors & Swatches
3. Creating & Using Gradients
4. Creating & Working with Brushes
5. Using the Pencil & Eraser Tools
6. Painting with Selections

Lesson 8: PHOTO RETOUCHING

1. The Red Eye Tool
2. The Clone Stamp Tool
3. The Patch Tool & the Healing Brush Tool



4. The Spot Healing Brush Tool
5. The Color Replacement Tool
6. The Toning & Focus Tools
7. Painting with History

Lesson 9: INTRODUCTION TO COLOR CORRECTION

1. Color Spaces & Color Modes
2. The Variations Command
3. The Auto Commands
4. Adjusting Levels
5. Adjust Curves, Non-Destructively, with Adjustment Layers

Lesson 10: USING QUICK MASK MODE

1. Quick Mask Options
2. Painting a Selection
3. Saving & Removing a Selection from the Background

Lesson 11: WORKING WITH THE PEN TOOL

1. Understanding Paths & the Pen Tool
2. Creating Straight & Curved Paths
3. Creating Combo Paths
4. Creating a Clipping Path

Lesson 12: CREATING SPECIAL EFFECTS

1. Getting Started with Photoshop Filters
2. Smart Filters
3. Creating Text Effects
4. Applying Gradients to Text

Lesson 13: EXPORTING YOUR WORK

1. Saving with Different File Formats
2. Saving for Web & Devices
3. Printing Options
4. Credits