SPRINGFIELD TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Course Number:	GRPH XXX	Department:	Graphic Arts Technology		
Course Title:	Advertising Photography	Semester:	Fall	Year:	2006

Objectives/Competencies

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Students will take professional studio photographs of glassware, opaque, metallic and reflective objects, suitable for use in catalogs or other advertising publications.	 Demonstrate the camera angle(s) that show the object most effectively to the viewer. Demonstrate the proper placement of lighting to create a white line, black line, and both black and white lines around glassware. Demonstrate the proper use and lighting of translucent tent to evenly light multi-planed reflective objects. Demonstrate the method of creating a tent around an object to evenly light multi-planed reflective objects. Demonstrate the proper use of camera angle and lens selection to produce a non-distorted photograph of object. Determine the background color for an object and size of the photograph to fit the appropriate publication need. Determine the appropriate amount of depth-of-field in the image and set the lens aperture accordingly. 		

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2. Students will take professional studio photographs of food items, suitable for advertising applications.	 Demonstrate the proper use of sprays and glycerin to keep the food looking fresh during the photography. Demonstrate the proper selection and placement of tableware, glassware, and silverware to make a professional photograph. Demonstrate the appropriate lighting of the food to produce an aesthetically pleasing photograph. Demonstrate the proper setup and holding methods of hot and cold food items for photography. Study current photography trends in the food industry. 		
3. Students will be knowledgeable of current fashion trends, and take professional photographs suitable for fashion and clothing advertisements.	 Study current fashion trends within all visual media. Choose appropriate background color that works effectively with clothing article(s) and model to be photographed. Choose appropriate props to augment the clothing article(s) and model to be photographed. Choose appropriate location to augment the clothing article(s) and model to be photographed. Determine the proper lighting type for both studio and onlocation fashion photography. Demonstrate the proper posing and camera angle for models and products used in fashion photography. 		
4. Students will demonstrate effective communication skills with clients to discuss their specific needs.	Demonstrate how to work effectively with the client, model, and art director through a variety of role-playing activities.		

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5. Students will be knowledgeable of current photographic business practices, including the set up and operation of a small photography business.	 Determine actual operating costs involved in cost of goods sold. Research current local photography rates to determine appropriate business rate structure. Research current state law regarding the collection of sales tax. Learn how to work with an accountant to learn how to manage business expenses and comply with state and federal law regarding filing income taxes. Determine the best methods of advertising and marketing to reach intended clients. Put together a strong portfolio of professional work to show intended clients. Prepare a business plan to acquire lender financing. Research and purchase required photography equipment.
6. Students will produce an advertising publication using his/her own photography and graphic design skills.	1. Using professional graphic design software and design skills learned in courses within the Digital Photography program, create and produce a professional-quality catalog or other marketing publication showcasing the student's advertising photography and graphic design skills.

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