

# Green Sheet

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**Handouts** for the class are posted at my Web site **www.atdesignonline.com** Check there often for new handouts, assignment sheets and Information.

**Ohlone Photograph Blog:** <http://ohlonephoto.edublogs.org/>

**Description and Objectives:**

This course is for photographers with limited experience or new to Adobe Photoshop. Students learn how to work with a digital “dark-room” using images supplied by the instructor for this purpose. Topics included are image file management and organization, file formats, resolution, basic image editing, selective image editing, scanning, preparing images for web-based application, how to purchase a digital camera, and more. A digital camera is not required. You will learn how to use Photoshop to repair, composite, and improve your photographs.

**Materials List.** Texts: “Adobe Photoshop CS3 Classroom in a book”, Editions, Peachpit, 2007 ISBN: 0321492021. One USB jump drive or flash memory (You could use the memory out of your camera with a card reader). You can buy this book at, Frys, Barnes and Noble, Journeyed.com, and Amazon.com,

**Grading Policy:** Your grades will be based on: Tests, Projects, Attendance, and Your Effort. The

grade will not be based on how your work compares to others, but on your effort and involvement with the class.

**Student Responsibilities:** Students are responsible for attending class and doing all assigned work. If you miss a class or you are late, it is up to you be aware of the material covered in class that day. I love answering any question and I don’t mind repeating the lecture if you were here for the original lecture. Please feel free to ask questions about the information. Also if I am lecturing don’t be visiting with other students I love interaction and questions, but while I am lecturing I want your attention so please turn off the Cell Phones and Websites and interact with the class.

**If a student stops doing the work (quits the class) it is the student responsibility to do the proper paper work to complete the drop. Otherwise I will grade an F for this student.**

**Teacher Responsibilities:** My responsibilities include structuring the course materials giving lectures and demonstrations, answering questions that are related to the course work, giving feedback in the form of critiques and grades, providing handouts on the material covered and being responsible for the classroom management. I also feel that I am here working for you. If you don’t ask me questions I will not know what you need.

**Warning:**

**Art is not for the lazy or weak ego person. Talent is only worth about 2%. Hard work is the other 98%. Growth in Art or Computer Graphics depends on how much time and energy you put in. You are always working for yourself, so If you don’t put in the effort, the person you are cheating is yourself.**

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Due dates for class:

Start an Image file of your photographs, put together the images you want to work on. If you don't have any photos of your own start shooting pictures for this class, you can even use the film cheap throw away cameras. (prints seem to scan better than slides)

Photoshop's toolbox quiz.... Feb. 17th

First Project: Find a damaged old or new photograph. Scan the photograph and fix the damage with photoshop. ... Due: Feb. 24th

**On the below Projects you can only use your own Photographs**

Second Project: A composite of photos using two or more pictures put the pictures together to form a new image Due: Mar. 17th

Third project: Using your own photography either Digital or film photography make a new image using layers, painting tools, filters and other tools in photoshop. Due Apr. 7th.

Fourth project: A image created by your self of something that is important to you that tells a story. Due: Apr. 28th.

Fifth Project Scan three of your Photos and Optimize them for Print, then for a Multimedia project and then for web site. :You should end up with 9 files Due: May 12th

Test on the handouts ..... May 19th

Final Project: Your choice, Something you want to do. This is a project that should be your best project. Check with me if you need help. Due Final session

### The "Unwritten Rules" to Succeeding in College

1. Make certain that you understand and follow the instructor's plagiarism policy. Be aware that you can plagiarize without even intending to do so.
2. Don't ask your instructor if "it is OK" to be absent, leave class early, or turn in an assignment late. Understand that these choices have consequences, which are usually explained in the course syllabus. If you must turn in an assignment late, don't try to talk the instructor out of counting it as late.
3. If you must miss class, don't waste the instructor's time by giving excuses about why you were absent. Also, never tell your instructor that you had to miss class because ...
  - a. you had to work.
  - b. you were in Tahoe, L.A., Las Vegas, Minnesota, or (fill in the blank).
  - c. you had to study for a midterm in another class.
4. If you are absent for a class, don't ask the instructor to tell you what you missed. Instead, call or e-mail another student in the class. It is your responsibility to keep up with the material covered in class and the assignments.
5. Never ask the instructor, "Did I miss anything important?" upon returning to class after an absence.
6. If you must miss class for an extended period of time (one week or more) due to a serious illness or a death in the family, let the instructor know by phone or e-mail. Otherwise, the instructor may assume you've dropped and remove you from the roster. If you have in fact dropped the class, do not expect the instructor to do the paperwork to drop you. That is your responsibility!!!!
7. Avoid coming to class late. If you must come late to class, don't make a lot of noise entering or walk in front of the class while the instructor is talking. Instead, come in quietly and take a seat by the door.
8. Avoid talking to another student while the instructor is giving a lecture or addressing the class.
9. On days that an assignment is due, arrive to class on time, having proofread and stapled your paper. Never ask your instructor, "Do you have a stapler?" Don't ask the instructor if you can leave early after turning in an assignment; this makes a very poor impression. And do not work on that assignment during the class and try to turn it in at the end of class.
10. Never answer your cell phone in class. If your phone rings during class, quickly shut it off; don't go outside to answer it. Don't play with your phone during class. Don't look to see who it is and announce you must talk to your mother, grandmother, sister, etc. Points will be deducted.
11. After an instructor has finished explaining something, don't ask, "Do we need to know this?" When an instructor gives an assignment, don't ask, "Does this count for our grade?" Remember that your attitude counts towards your grade.

