

Photoshop Level I

Day 1

Lesson 1: Getting to Know the Work Area

- Starting to work in Adobe Photoshop
- Using the tools
- Using the options bar and other panels
- Undoing actions in Photoshop
- Customizing the workspace
- Finding resources for using Photoshop
- Checking for updates

Lesson 2: Basic Photo Corrections

- Strategy for retouching
- Resolution and image size
- Getting started
- Straightening and cropping an image
- Making automatic adjustments
- Removing a color cast
- Manually adjusting the tonal range
- Replacing colors in an image
- Adjusting lightness with the Dodge tool
- Adjusting saturation with the Sponge tool
- Comparing automatic and manual results
- Repairing areas with the Clone Stamp tool
- Using the Spot Healing Brush tool
- Using the Healing Brush and Patch tools
- Applying the Unsharp Mask filter
- Saving the image for four-color printing

Lesson 3: Working with Selections

- About selecting and selection tools
- Getting started
- Using the Quick Selection tool
- Moving a selected area
- Manipulating selections
- Using the Magic Wand tool
- Selecting with the lasso tools
- Rotating a selection
- Selecting with the Magnetic Lasso tool
- Cropping an image and erasing within a selection
- Refining the edge of a selection

Lesson 4: Layer Basics

- About layers
- Getting started
- Using the Layers panel
- Rearranging layers
- Applying a gradient to a layer
- Applying a layer style
- Flattening and saving files

Day 2

Lesson 5: Masks and Channels

- Working with masks and channels
- Getting started
- Creating a quick mask
- Editing a mask
- Viewing channels
- Adjusting individual channels
- Loading a mask as a selection
- Applying filters to a mask
- Applying effects using a gradient mask
- Resizing the canvas
- Removing the background from an image
- Moving layers between documents
- Colorizing with an adjustment layer
- Grouping and clipping layers
- Inverting a mask
- Using type as a mask

Lesson 6: Correcting and Enhancing Digital Photographs

- Getting Started
- About Camera Raw
- Processing files in Camera Raw
- Correcting digital photographs in Photoshop
- Editing images with a vanishing-point perspective
- Correcting image distortion
- Adding depth of field
- Creating a PDF image gallery

Lesson 7: Typographic Design

- About type
- Getting started
- Creating a clipping mask from type
- Creating a design element from type
- Using interactive formatting controls
- Warping point type
- Designing a paragraph of type
- Warping a layer

Lesson 8: Vector Drawing Techniques

- About bitmap images and vector graphics
- About paths and the Pen tool
- Getting started
- Using paths with artwork
- Creating vector objects for the background
- Working with defined custom shapes
- Importing a Smart Object