

LEVEL 1 AWARD DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY

Subject Area
Student Type
Study Mode

Digital
Adults
Part Time

What is the course about?

Are you keen to get more out of your digital camera? This practical, hands-on course will help you understand how your camera works, while introducing you to the basics of framing and composition. It's an ideal starting point if you're thinking about becoming a photographer.

Why should I choose the course?

This beginner-friendly course is designed for adult students (aged 19+) with an interest in digital photography but little or no experience using a digital camera.

What will I learn?

Throughout the course, you'll develop a solid understanding of basic photographic processes, and learn how to manipulate digital images. The course is made up of two main units:

Unit 1 – How to Use a Camera to Capture Creative Images

Learn the basic principles of composition and visual awareness. You'll explore different lenses, camera settings, and shooting techniques to produce and evaluate your own creative images.

Unit 2 – Digital Image Manipulation

Discover how to select and enhance your images using digital tools. You'll gain an understanding of image editing software and hardware, apply manipulation techniques, and prepare your final images for viewing and evaluation.

The course runs over 15 weeks using a blended learning model. You'll attend one face-to-face session per week in the evening at our Warrington campus, and complete around two hours of independent study each week via Google Classroom. You'll work towards a portfolio of evidence, including research and reflections on your practical work, to achieve your certified award.

Please note: this is a certified course, not a leisure course.

What will the course lead on to?

On successful completion, you may choose to progress to further photography study or qualifications.

Are there any links with industry and university?



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The techniques and equipment covered are closely aligned with current industry practices, helping you to develop skills relevant to working in photography.

What support is available?

We have a team of staff dedicated to providing learning support if it is required and a Wellbeing Team that are on hand to offer guidance, support and help when needed.

Additionally, eligible students can access a wide range of finance and funding support to help them during their time at college. For personalised advice on funding, please contact our Learner Services Team on 01925 494 400 or email learner.services@wvr.ac.uk.

Why should I choose to study the course at Warrington & Vale Royal College?

Warrington & Vale Royal College offers a welcoming learning environment with modern facilities, ample on-site parking, and expert tuition from knowledgeable and supportive staff. Whether you're just starting out or looking to develop new skills, we're here to help you succeed.

What are the entry requirements?

No formal qualifications are needed, but a strong interest in photography is essential. You should also have basic computer skills, as you'll use Google Classroom to track your progress and submit work.

What are my funding options?

For more information about financial support, please visit: <https://wvr.ac.uk/college-life/financial-support>

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Are there any additional costs associated with the course?

You'll need to use your own digital camera throughout the course. If needed, DSLR cameras can be provided for use during classroom sessions.

You'll also need access to a computer to complete the written work required for the qualification.



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