



# Photography Pathway

**CTE Industry Sector:** Arts, Media, and Entertainment  
**CTE Pathway:** Design, Visual and Media Arts



Photo 1, 2, 3, and AP Photo at Novato High School are year-long classes designed to extend an all-encompassing and thoughtful approach to photography. Starting in the fall, students are introduced to topics varying from the evolution of photography and the operation of digital single-lens reflex cameras to the basics of composition and presenting photographic work.

Students will work independently and in groups on assignments exploring fine art, documentary, and commercial photography genres while creating images showing their understanding of art and social movements throughout the medium's 180-year history.

During both semesters, students will engage with philosophies and theories related to photography, focusing on concept building, making connections using historical knowledge of the medium, descriptive writing, and discussions intended to help explore students' creative processes and intentions. Critiques, peer reviews, and self-reflections will help students better articulate their intentions and hone their analytical skills.

## Why Photography ?

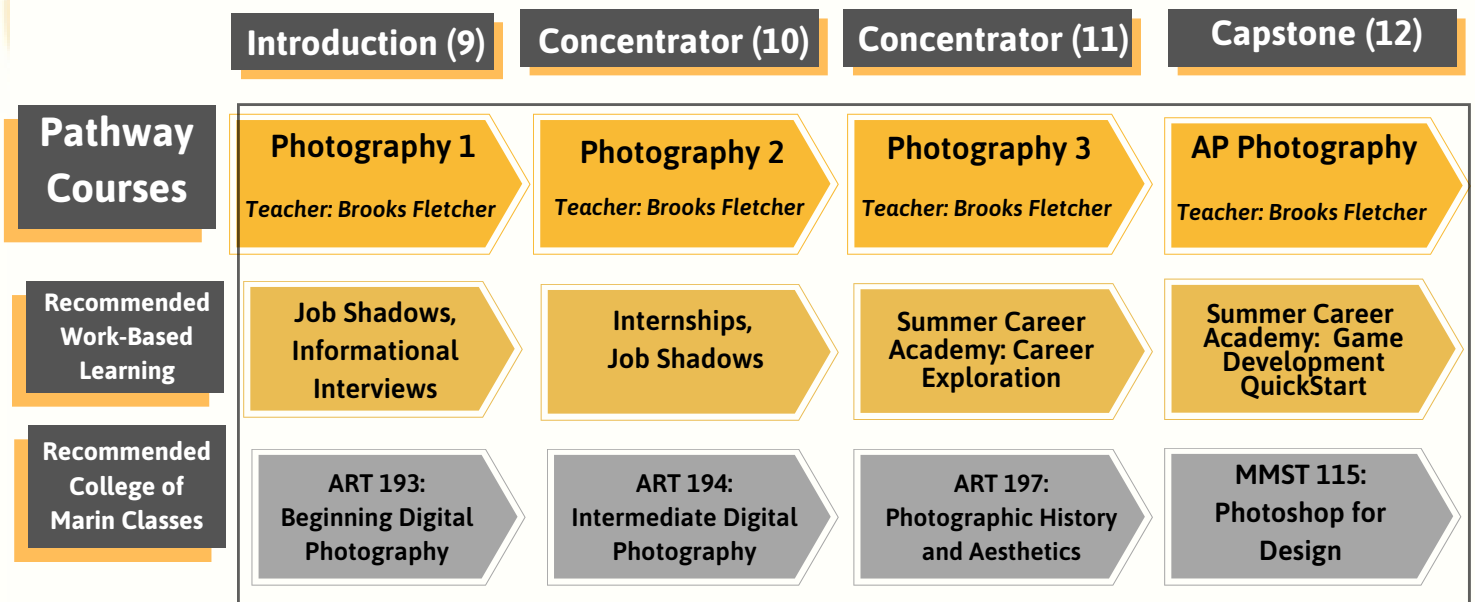
- Understand the historical, cultural, and theory of photography and how it relates to modern society.
- Make informed choices about composition.
- Demonstrate proper camera procedures and digital process techniques.
- Create original works of art of increasing complexity.
- Understand and use steps in the conceptualization process.
- Develop knowledge of various career path possibilities.

***Have fun and learn valuable skills!***



For more information, visit:  
**Photography Pathway Program**  
or speak with your counselor!

# Pathway Sequence of Courses



## Areas of Study

Learn skills in these areas:

- Digital Photographer
- Composition and Design
- Adobe Lightroom
- Adobe Photoshop
- Digital Printing
- Photojournalism
- Photo Theory

Start your career path in this high-growth, high-paying industry!

## Potential Occupations

- Layout & Graphic Designer
- Photo Editor
- Photojournalist/  
Documentary Photographer
- Fine Art Photographer
- Commercial/Industrial Photographer
- Studio/Portrait Photographer
- Teacher/Educator

## Labor Market Information - Bay Area Region

High-growth careers available in this industry sector:

### Photojournalist

Median Annual Wage:  
**\$43,268**

### Career and Technical Education Teacher

Median Annual Wage:  
**\$61,160**

### Art Director

Median Annual Wage:  
**\$100,890**

Source: CA Employment Development Department's Labor Market Information Division (EDD/LMID), long-term (10-year) Occupational Employment Projections for California and substate areas. Published April 2021. The above data is projected for the Bay Area Region, representing the North Bay, East Bay, Mid-Peninsula, Silicon Valley, and Santa Cruz-Monterey sub regions.