

# Adobe Photoshop CS4 Level 1

- **Course Length:** 1 Day

## Course Overview

This instructor-led course will familiarize students with design creation and image editing using Adobe Photoshop CS4. Understanding the different tools and features available in Photoshop CS4 will help to maximize creative potential. Various tools and features of Photoshop are explored including Adobe Bridge, a key requisite for managing assets efficiently.

## Prerequisites/ Audience

There are no prerequisites for this course. This course is intended for a diverse audience including, but not limited to, computer-saavy professionals who want to create and enhance graphics, photographers who want to work with and prepare photos for print or web; students with an interest in graphic design or those with novice design skills, and professionals who want to learn and use Photoshop CS4 as a complement to other CS4 programs, such as Illustrator.

## Course Outline

<b><u>Course Introduction</u></b>	1m
<b><u>Lesson 01 - Exploring the Photoshop Environment</u></b>	42m
Exploring the Photoshop Environment	
What Is Photoshop?	
The Photoshop Window	
The Tools Panel	
Demo: Exploring the Photoshop Interface	
Navigation Tools	
The NAVIGATOR Panel	
Demo: Exploring the Navigation Tools	
Workspaces	
The Preset Manager	
Keyboard Shortcuts and Menus	
Preferences Dialog	
Demo: Customizing the Photoshop Environment	
Adobe Bridge	
Adobe Bridge Components	

Views from the Bridge  
Sorting Options  
Demo: Exploring Adobe Bridge and Help  
Lesson 01 - Review

## **Lesson 02 - Determining Resolution and Graphic Type**

15m

Determining Resolution and Graphic Type  
Pixels  
What is a Raster Graphic?  
What is a Vector Graphic?  
Raster Graphics  
Vector Graphics  
Raster vs. Vector Graphics  
Image Resolution  
Image Size  
Photoshop File Formats  
Demo: Comparing Graphic Types and Resolution  
Lesson 02 - Review

## **Lesson 03 - Working with Selections**

36m

Working with Selections  
The New Dialog Box  
Once Created  
Selection Tools  
Magnetic Lasso Options  
Selection Tips  
Demo: Creating a Selection  
Channels  
The Alpha Channel  
Modifying Selections  
Refine Edge and Feather Features  
Demo: Saving and Modifying a Selection  
Color in Photoshop  
The Color Picker  
The Eyedropper Tool  
Demo: Applying Color  
Lesson 03 - Review

## **Lesson 04 - Working with Layers**

45m

Working with Layers  
Layers  
The LAYERS Panel  
Demo: Creating Layers  
Type Layers and Options  
Demo: Working with Type Layers  
Free Transform Command  
Transform Menu Commands  
The Alignment and Distribution Options  
Demo: Transforming Layers  
Layer Styles

Predefined Layer Styles  
Blending Modes  
What About an “Oops”?  
Demo: Applying Layer Styles  
Layer Groups  
Merging and Flattening Layers  
Demo: Managing Layers  
Lesson 04 - Review

### **Lesson 05 - Enhancing Images with Paint and Filters**

16m

Enhancing Images with Paint and Filters  
The Brush Tool Options Bar  
Filters  
The Filter Gallery  
Demo: Painting and Applying Filter Effects  
Lesson 05 - Review

### **Lesson 06 - Exploring Image Modes and Color Adjustments**

18m

Exploring Image Modes and Color Adjustments  
Color Basics  
Duotone Options Dialog  
Color Mode Basics  
Photoshop Color Modes  
RGB Color Mode & Channels  
CMYK Color Mode & Channels  
Color Tips and Insights  
Color Adjustments  
Color Adjustments Options  
Demo: Applying Color Adjustments  
Lesson 06 - Review

### **Lesson 07 - Saving Images for Web and Print**

23m

Saving Images for Web and Print  
Images for Print  
TIFF Options  
Images for the Web  
The Save for Web and Devices Command  
Demo: Saving Images for Print and Web  
Save Images as PDF  
Demo: Saving Images to PDF  
Lesson 07 - Review  
Course Closure

**Total Duration: 3h 17m**