

Welcome to A Level Photography

- **What you can read:**

Photography Basics Booklet –

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B8aHz-3h8U6QNUtsUDh5Mko0UmM/view>

How to Load 35mm Film –

<https://www.instructables.com/id/How-To-Load-Film-into-a-35mm-Camera/>

Lighting Techniques –

<http://www.kelvin-pro.com/sites/default/files/file/lighting-guide.pdf>

Milestones in Photography –

<https://www.nationalgeographic.com/photography/photos/milestones-photography/>

- **What you can watch:**

Below are some of the skills/topics that you will be learning when you join us at Burnley College. Here are some videos for you to watch that will get you started on those topics and/or skills:

- The History of Photography in 5 minutes –
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JoxGEymA8ro&has_verified=1
- The History of the Camera –
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zI1JzDFHvh4>
- Three Pillars of Photography –
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YAt4315-uH4>
- How to Load & Unload 35mm Film –
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FjCfcTFP50E>
- Processing Black and White Film –
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aPQ7OPy8T2w>
- Darkroom Printing –
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O31OZgnCoAw>

- **What are some of the topics and skills that you will cover:**

Below are some of the topics and skills that we will cover in A level Photography:

Topics	Breakdown
Visual Language:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Formal Elements: Pattern/Texture/Line/Shape/Colour & Tone/Form - Composition: Foreground, Mid ground, Background/Subject or Subject Matter/Exposure/Point of View/Framing/Rule of Thirds
Three Pillars of Photography: ISO Aperture Shutter Speed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ISO - Aperture - Shutter Speed - Manual Camera Settings/Application
Film Photography:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - History of Film including timeline - Darkroom – Film processing/Photograms/Printing - Health & Safety Processes - 35mm film explorations - Chemical Process
Photography Genres	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Portrait/Street/Documentary/Landscape/Still Life - Studio – Lighting Techniques
Image Manipulation & Digital Software	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Contact Sheet - Photoshop/Lightroom – editing/layering/manipulation
Contextual & Working to a Theme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Artist Research - Develop creative ideas relating to a creative brief - Respond, review and refine to develop a personal and meaningful outcome relevant to intentions

- **Tasks that you can do to prepare you:**

<u>Task</u>	<u>Link to the course/specification</u>
<p>Task 1.</p> <p>Research the Formal Elements. Produce a page outlining a brief description of each one. Respond by photographing each element.</p>	<p>General Content</p> <p>This will help you to understand the visual elements within Photography. Applying the skills you learnt and documenting your understanding within your own explorations.</p>

<p style="text-align: center;">Task 2.</p> <p>Research the 'Three Pillars of Photography'. Produce a page describing the importance of each one within Photography. Brief description of what ISO, Aperture and Shutter Speed are with relevant visual examples.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Coursework</p> <p>This is task will give you a head start on understanding the fundamentals within Photography. It will allow you to expand on the Three Pillars by further developing your knowledge through practical application.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Task 3.</p> <p>Research the History of Film Photography. Who created the world's first photograph and what process did they use?</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Coursework</p> <p>This will help form a critical part of your coursework which is contextual and critical analysis. Try to include as much detail as you can with relevant visual examples. Use the videos on page one to help you.</p> <p>If you have any questions just get in touch using the contact information at the bottom of this resource.</p>

- **Contact information**

If you have questions regarding this or any other A Level course at Burnley College, please contact alevels@burnley.ac.uk or call 01282733373

We look forward to seeing you in September.