

# Final Exam

Advanced Digital Photography | PHO 2700

Instructor Carrie Acosta, Tuesdays 6 pm - 9:55 pm

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## Directions:

Type your answers double-spaced on a separate sheet of paper and staple it to this sheet. Begin each essay with the number of the question you are answering. Some numbers may have multiple questions within them; be sure to address them all in your essays. The completed final exam is due the last day of class with no exceptions. 34 points possible.

## Understanding Color

1. What is a color space? Identify two different color spaces within the RGB spectrum and describe the difference between them. (4 pts.)
2. Explain the differences between RGB and CMYK. What are they each intended for? (4 pts.)

## Portraits

3. Explain the difference between the portrait styles of Avedon and Newmann. (2 pts.)

## Master Retouching & Masking

4. Describe the difference between Retouching for Reality and Retouching for Fashion/Fantasy. What changes are appropriate for each and why? (3 pts.)
5. What is a layer mask? Why is it a stronger tool for compositing as compared to simply erasing or 'cutting out' a layer? (2 pts.)
6. What three qualities should be present in photographs that you wish to composite successfully into one image? (3 pts.)

## Critical Theory

7. In *The Photographer's Eye* (John Szarkowski) and *The Nature of Photographs* (Stephen Shore), both authors define different characteristics of photographs that they see as unique to photography. From either reading, list and describe three of these characteristics. (6 pts.)
8. In Susan Sontag's, "The Heroism of Vision," she cites differences between painting and photography. What are these differences? Give an example of a photograph in which the subject changes the viewer's perception of it. (5 pts.)
9. Despite seeming to capture reality, Sontag writes that photographs are only interpretations. List one of her five reasons why one can never understand anything from a photograph, and thus photographs fail. Explain the reason you select and give an example of it. (3 pts.)
10. What assignment of this course did you find most enjoyable, and what assignment do you feel you learned the most from? Why? (3 pts.)