



Welcome to Graphic Design at St. Clair College!

You'll be receiving lots of information from our Registrar's Office regarding your time at St. Clair College but this letter is specifically about a very important tool you will be using throughout your three years with us - your camera. Please read it very carefully.

All Graphic Design First Year Students are required to obtain a Digital Single Lens Reflex (DSLR) or comparable mirrorless camera and recommended lenses prior to the first week of Fall 2020 classes. You will be using your camera and lenses immediately in the GRD102 Digital Photography course and your camera will be used in future courses including Design and Layout, Illustration, Pre-press Production, and Typography spanning all six semesters in addition to other Photography and Post-Production classes.

You will use your camera and lenses to shoot product, models, events, environments, documentation, to tell visual stories and as integral parts of designs and reference for illustration classes throughout your years in the Graphic Design Program.

The following are examples of quality camera/lens combinations having the features we require. If you are able to purchase your camera and lenses as a package this will help to keep prices down but you may wish to purchase the items separately. The two lenses will be required for a range of work from closeup to telephoto and will provide a high degree of flexibility. These camera brands are for reference only - you are welcome to select a different brand if you so choose. However, you will need to select a camera that meets or exceeds these specifications.

NIKON D3500 with 18-55MM VR lens and compatible 55-200 F4-5.6G lens

or the

CANON EOS REBEL T6 with 18-55 IS II lens and compatible 55-250 mm lens

or a

mirrorless camera with comparable features

We recommend that you contact your trusted camera retailer to assist you in comparing features of these and other brands so that you can make the selection that best meets these requirements.

If you have any questions be sure to email nkuipers@stclaircollege.ca after August 24, 2020.

See you in September!

Best regards,
Graphic Design Faculty

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