

Aperture/Shutter Speed Assignment

Create four images

Your images need to demonstrate your understanding of the concepts of depth of field and motion in still photography. The first image must have a shallow depth of field, the second must have a deep depth of field, the third must have blurred motion, and the fourth must involve stop action.

The pictures should be of four different people and/or things you find visually interesting and also potentially newsworthy to your fellow students. The emphasis for this assignment is on the technical elements – whether you understand aperture and shutter speed effects and on your caption quality. Focus first on demonstrating those elements.

Select your subjects as you would select the topics for written news stories; the subjects of your pictures should engage your audience on the basis of timing, significance, proximity, prominence, human interest, or some combination of all five of those things.

Requirements

- Write your captions using the Associated Press (AP) caption formula.
 - <http://convergence.journalism.missouri.edu/?p=6870> is a good rough guide to caption writing. See also the *Caption Writing Tips* document.
 - If in doubt about how to write a caption for your particular image, consult *The Associated Press Stylebook* in the library for details.
- Ensure that your captions are factual, active, and include all relevant elements (Who, What, When, Where, Why, and, if relevant, How).
- Submit the captions and images via the online portal by **October 13**.
 - Write your captions in a text document and submit it as a PDF file.
 - Include your name, *full* student identification number, the name of the assignment, and the date in the document.
 - Indicate which image represents each of the four attributes required
 - Stop motion
 - Blurred motion
 - Shallow depth of field
 - Deep depth of field
 - Format your filenames as follows:
 - Images: Your *full* student identification number, assignment name, and the image number.
 - e.g., “007-aperture-shutter-speed-01.jpeg,” “007-aperture-shutter-speed-02.jpeg,” “007-aperture-shutter-speed-03.jpeg,” “007-aperture-shutter-speed-04.jpeg”
 - Caption document: Your *full* student identification number then assignment name
 - e.g., “007-aperture-shutter-speed.pdf”

Grading

Weighting is as follows:

- Timeliness and inclusion of required format elements 25%
- Caption quality 25%
- Inclusion of four required aperture and shutter speed attributes 25%
- Style of caption writing and visual appeal of images 25%