

PHOTOGRAPHIC

CENTER

NORTHWEST

CERTIFICATE PROGRAM APPLICATION

DEADLINE: March 9, 2020 — applications must be received by the stated deadline.

Why apply to the Certificate Program?

- Completion of the Certificate Program provides you with knowledge, credentials, and access as an alumnus to a lifelong community of practitioners dedicated to the medium of photography.
- PCNW is located in the Capitol Hill neighborhood of Seattle, with easy access to galleries and museums here, as well as in Pioneer Square, downtown, and the U-District. Our facilities include wet darkrooms, two digital labs, three lighting studios, an alternative process studio and an exhibition space featuring five-six shows a year and a broad range of significant photography.
- Program attendees are immersed in the history, theory and practice of creating photographic work, and are taught by engaged professionals from within and beyond our region. Masterclasses by visiting artists complement ten-week courses focused on technical and creative knowledge specific to this craft.
- With evening courses and small classes of not more than twelve people, the Certificate Program is personal, flexible and accessible. Most participants complete the course of study in 3-5 years, with the final year being dedicated to a thesis project. Estimated cost to complete the program is approximately \$22,775, including materials and lab fees (tuition is charged on a per class, per quarter basis).

Contact Information

If you have any questions about the application process, requirements, or materials please e-mail education@pcnw.org or call 206.720.7222.

Mail or Drop-Off Application To:

PCNW
ATTN: Registrar
900 12th Avenue
Seattle, WA 98122

Notification of Status of Application / Admission

Certificate Program Applicants will be notified about the status of their application and/or admission to the Certificate Program no later than May 7, 2020.

Certificate Program / Student Resources

All of the links and information listed below can be found at www.pcnw.org.

- [Certificate Program Overview](#) | Includes a catalog with descriptions for required courses.
- [Academic Policies for Certificate Students](#) | Includes a breakdown of the estimated cost for completion of the program and requirements for remaining enrolled in the program.
- [Alumni](#) | Includes a slideshow of Alumni work, as well as links to PCNW Thesis exhibition pages.
- [Student Resources](#) | Links to information about upcoming quarter dates, scholarship opportunities, student rental fees, etc.
- [Payment & Refund Policy](#) | Links to information about payment required at registration and payment options.

APPLICATION MATERIALS

APPLICATION FEE | \$20.00 — PCNW accepts Visa, MasterCard and Check payments (see final page of application for payment submission details).

CERTIFICATE PROGRAM APPLICATION FORM | Student must complete and submit this form along with the supporting materials and documents listed below.

STATEMENT | In 500 - 1,000 words, please outline:

- Why you are applying to the Certificate Program at Photographic Center Northwest (PCNW)
- Your past experience in photography, including any personal projects, classes or programs of study you have undertaken
- Your personal or professional goals as they pertain to the Certificate Program
- A statement about your ability to engage in a long-term course of study from a time, focus and financial perspective
- Any other information you feel is pertinent to your admission to the Certificate Program

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS | In order for a Certificate Program application to be considered, and for a student to be accepted into the program, the student must provide PCNW with one of the following:

- Transcripts from Undergraduate or Graduate studies,
- Proof of High School Diploma or GED,
OR
- Evidence of successful completion of two years of courses at an accredited college or equivalent credentials from a foreign educational institution

PORTFOLIO | Please submit a selection of 10-15 images, including 5 images from a single body or collection of work. Images may be submitted as a physical portfolio or on a CD. For CD submissions, please name your files according to the following convention: Last Name, First Name_Title (example: Smith, John_Sunset). Portfolios will not be returned. Applicants are welcome to include an artist statement or other information you would like to share about your portfolio.

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CERTIFICATE PROGRAM APPLICANT INFORMATION

NAME

FIRST NAME

LAST NAME

ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

PHONE

E-MAIL

DATE OF BIRTH (MM/DD/YYYY)

HIGHEST LEVEL OF EDUCATION COMPLETED

PLEASE LIST THE MOST RECENT PROGRAMS / COLLEGES* YOU HAVE ATTENDED (UP TO THREE):

*If you are a high school graduate who has not yet attended other programs or colleges, please provide an outline of the number of years or semesters that you studied photography / art in high school, if applicable.

AND / OR

SUBMIT A COPY OF YOUR RESUMÉ INCLUDING PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATION.

[OPTIONAL]

Check this box if you have included a copy of your resumé with your application.

APPLICATION FEE

APPLICATION FEE = \$20.00

PAYMENT OPTIONS

- Check made payable to: PCNW
- Visa
- MasterCard

IF YOU WILL BE PAYING WITH A CREDIT CARD:

NAME ON CARD

BILLING ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

CARD NUMBER

EXPIRATION DATE

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STATEMENT OF ACCURACY

I, the applicant listed under the Applicant Information, certify that the information provided in this application is both accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

DATE