

Digital Photo I  
Assignment III  
Photographing People

1. Set the ISO of your camera at ISO 400 or 800. Shoot no less than 36 exposures, but turn in on a CD 10 – 15 images for critique.
2. The subject of this assignment is people. They may be people that you know or people that you meet on the street. They may be of any age. You may take a formal portrait or a candid shot. They may be a photograph of a single person or a group shot. The only real requirement is that the main subject is a human being. (I know that your dog or cat is as much a part of the family as any of the kids, but there needs to be a human being in the photograph ☺ )
3. Because the ISO is higher, you will be able to take pictures in lower light situations. You may take photos indoors, but use a natural light source such as window light or light coming through a door. If you do use artificial light, make sure that you change the white balance adjustment on your camera. If you photograph outdoors try to photograph your subjects under open shade.
4. Some tips on photographing people:
  - a. Try to find a time that your subject can give you about one hour of uninterrupted time. Don't wait until the last minute.
  - b. For head and shoulders portraits use a longer lens, (150mm or longer) to foreshorten the perspective and control the depth of field.
  - c. For candid photographs of people that you meet on the street, be respectful and if someone indicates that he or she does not want to be photographed then respect that wish. Most people are flattered that you may want to photograph them, especially if they know that you are a student doing an assignment.
5. Keep notes on the back of this page. Keep in mind that the most important part of this or any other assignment is to have fun.