Focal Length

This assignment is worth 15 marks & will be posted to your Production page

Objective: Demonstrate how different focal lengths change the magnification, perspective, and compression within an image. A wide-angle lens exaggerates perspective, while using a telephoto lens gives the effect of compressing perspective, bringing elements closer together in the frame.

You may work in pairs for this assignment. That means you and <u>one other person</u> may share and use the same images.

Your Task: Take two series of photos that demonstrate differences in focal lengths

✓ Decide on a composition and take the same picture <u>from the same vantage point</u>, one with a small focal length, a second with a medium focal length, and a third with a longer focal length. This series will work best with landscape, architecture, or street photography and should demonstrate mainly the changes in *angle of view* and *magnification*.



<u>Take a portrait</u> of a person or object <u>with the same framing</u>, one with a small focal length, a second with a medium focal length, and a third with a longer focal length. This series should mostly demonstrate *perspective compression*.









- ✓ Combine your images into one canvas in Photoshop. Using a text box, <u>label each photo with the focal length</u>. You do not need to label exposure levels or camera model for this assignment.
- ✓ Optional: instead of creating a series of your three images in Photoshop, you can make an animated GIF for your <u>portrait</u> sequences of images.

Hints:

- > To get the same framing for the second series, you'll need to move back and forth.
- ➤ Sample focal lengths: 20mm | 50mm | 100mm

NOTE: your focal lengths don't have to be the same as those listed above, this is an example of what they could be and yours should showcase a similar range.

Assessment

	Technical:	Differences in:	Composition
Series 1: Subject	 ✓ Appropriate range ✓ Combined as GIF or in Photoshop ✓ Labeled with mm 	✓ Angle of View✓ Magnification	✓ Well composed✓ Clear focal point
	Technical:	Differences in:	Composition
Series 2: Portrait	 ✓ Appropriate range ✓ Combined as GIF or in Photoshop ✓ Labeled with mm 	✓ Compression	✓ Well composed✓ Clear focal point
	/3	/2	/2
Posted to production page			/1
Total Marks			/15