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## Brooks is Back

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Photography enthusiasts and Instagram addicts in the Santa Barbara area will soon have a new resource for sharpening their visual communication skills. UC Santa Barbara has teamed with the [Ernest Brooks Foundation](#) to offer two photography classes during the winter quarter (beginning January 12, 2019).

Brooks at UCSB, as the new partnership is called, will offer students and community members the chance to sharpen their photography skills and express themselves using the latest tools and techniques, all under the guidance of professional photographers (and former Brooks Institute instructors).

“Photo Boot Camp,” taught by Christopher Broughton, will teach fundamental digital capture and editing skills that can be applied to any level of camera equipment—even a smartphone. “Visualizing the Natural World,” taught by Ralph Clevenger, will help students photograph all aspects of the natural world in unique and interesting ways. Both classes are now open for enrollment through UCSB’s [Professional and Continuing Education program](#). Scholarships are available.

“UC Santa Barbara is delighted to embark on this partnership with The Ernest Brooks Foundation,” said John Majewski, UC Santa Barbara’s Michael Douglas Dean of Humanities and Fine Arts and an early supporter of the program. “We look forward to offering innovative courses and programs for our students and members of the

community. Brooks has a long history of excellence, and we are particularly excited to work with this enthusiastic base of creative and entrepreneurial alumni and faculty.”

Ernest Brooks, Sr. founded the widely acclaimed photography- and visual arts-focused Brooks Institute in 1945. After more than 70 years of continued excellence in photographic and visual arts education, the school closed its doors two years ago.

Brooks at UCSB shares a mission with the Ernest Brooks Foundation: to champion and promote the highest standards of excellence in the visual arts through hands-on education, research, scholarship and the advancement of careers in the creative image fields.

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The University of California, Santa Barbara is a leading research institution that also provides a comprehensive liberal arts learning experience. Our academic community of faculty, students, and staff is characterized by a culture of interdisciplinary collaboration that is responsive to the needs of our multicultural and global society. All of this takes place within a living and learning environment like no other, as we draw inspiration from the beauty and resources of our extraordinary location at the edge of the Pacific Ocean.