

GET THE MOST OUT OF THIS COURSE...

ABOUT

This guide includes keyboard shortcuts used throughout this course.

Although I'll show you where (sometimes) to find the tools via the interface it's much faster to work with keyboard shortcuts.

Print out this keyboard shortcut guide as you watch the tutorials and use for reference. Shortcuts for both PC and Mac users provided.

Also, I've changed my keyboard shortcuts to match those used in Photoshop. This has it's benefits. You may wish to change yours too. In this guide, I provide both the native shortcuts for GIMP and the Photoshop alternative that I use throughout this course.

See the lecture on Keyboard Shortcuts for more info.

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GIMP

File Menu **Function**

- 1. Control + N
- 2. Shift + Control + V
- 3. Control + O
- 4. Control + Alt + O
- 5. Control + S
- 6. Shift + Control + S
- 7. Control + E
- 8. Shift + Control + E
- 9. Control + P
- 10. Control + W
- 11. Shift + Control + W
- 12. Control + Q

- New Document
- 2. Create new doc from clipboard
- 3. Open document
- 4. Open as layers
- 5. Save document
- 6. Save as
- 7. Export
- 8. Export as
- 9. Print
- 10. Close active document
- 11. Close all open documents
- 12. Quit GIMP

File Menu

PHOTOSHOP

- Control + N
- 2. Control + N
- 3. Control + O
- 4. n/a
- 5. Control + S
- 6. Shift + Control + S
- 7. n/a
- 8. Shift + Alt + Command + W
- 9. Control + P
- 10. Control + W
- 11. Alt + Control + W
- 12. Control + Q

Edit Menu

- 1. Control + Z
- Control + Y
- 1. Control + X
- 1. Control + C
- 2. Shift + Control + C
- 1. Control + V
- 1. Shift + Control + V
- 2. Delete
- 3. Control + .
- 4. Control + .
- 5. Control +:

Function

- 1. Undo
- 2. Redo
- 3. Cut
- 4. Copy
- 5. Copy visible
- 6. Paste
- 7. Paste as new image
- 8. Clear
- 9. Fill with Foreground color
- 10. Fill with Background color
- 11. Fill with pattern

Edit Menu

- 1. Control + Z
- 2. Control + Z
- 3. Control + X
- 4. Control + C
- 5. n/a
- 6. Control + V
- 7. n/a
- 8. n/a
- 9. Shift + F5
- 10. Shift + F5
- 11. Shift + F5

Select Menu

- 1. Control + A
- 2. Shift + Control + A
- 3. Control + I
- 4. Shift + Control + L
- 5. Shift + O
- 6. Shift + V
- 7. Shift + Q

Function

- 1. Select All
- 2. Select None
- 3. Invert Selection
- 4. Create a Floating Selection
- 5. Select by Color
- 6. Select from Path
- 7. Toggle Quick Mask

Select Menu

- 1. Control + A
- 2. Control + D
- 3. Shift + Control + I
- 4. n/a
- 5. n/a
- 6. n/a
- 7. Q

KEYBOARD SHORTCUTS FOR PC USERS

GIMP

View Menu

- 1.
- 2. +
- 1. Shift + Control + J
- 2. F11
- 3. Control + T
- 4. Shift + Control + T
- 5. Shift + Control + R

Image Menu

- 1. Control + D
- 2. Control + M
- 3. Alt + Return

Layer Menu

- 1. Shift + Control + N
- 2. Shift + Control + D
- 3. Control + H
- 4. Page Up
- 5. Page Down
- 6. Home
- 7. End

Tools Menu

- 1. R
- 2. E
- 3. F
- 4. U
- 5. Shift + O
- 6. I

Function

- 1. Zoom out
- 2. Zoom in
- 3. Fit image in window (zoom out)
- 4. Toggle full screen view
- 5. Show selection
- 6. Show guides
- 7. Show rulers

Function

- 1. Duplicate document
- 2. Merge visible layers
- 3. Display image properties

Function

- 1. New layer
- 2. Duplicate layer
- 3. Anchor layer
- 4. Select previous layer
- 5. Select next layer
- 6. Select top layer
- 7. Select bottom layer

Function

- 1. Rectangle Marquee
- 2. Ellipse Marquee
- 3. Free Select
- 4. Fuzzy Select
- 5. Select by color
- 6. Intelligent scissors

Рнотоѕнор

View Menu

- 1. Control + -
- 2. Control + +
- 3. Control + O
- 4. n/a
- 5. n/a
- 6. Control+;
- 7. Control + R

Image Menu

- 1. n/a
- 2. Shift + Control + E
- 3. n/a

Layer Menu

- 1. Shift + Control + N
- 2. Control + J
- 3. Control + /
- 4. n/a
- 5. n/a
- 6. n/a
- 7. n/a

Tools Menu

- 1. M
- 2. Shift + M
- 3. L
- 4. W
- 5. n/a
- 6. C

GIMP

Paint Tools

- Shift + B
- 2. N
- Р
- 4. Shift + E
- 5. A
- 6. K
- 7. Υ
- 8. C
- 9. H
- 10. Shift + U
- 11. S
- 12. Shift + D

Transform Tools

- 1. Q
- 2. M
- 3. Shift + C
- 4. Shift + R
- 5. Shift + S
- 6. Shift + H
- 7. Shift + P
- 8. Shift + T
- 9. Shift + L
- 10. Shift + F
- 11. Shift + G
- 12. W

Other

- 1. O
- 2. Z
- 3. Shift + M
- Т
- 5. D
- 6. X

Function

- 1. Bucket Fill
- 2. Pencil
- 3. Paintbrush
- 4. Eraser
- 5. Airbrush
- 6. Ink
- 7. My Paintbrush
- 8. Clone
- 9. Heal
- 10. Blur/Sharpen
- 11. Smudge
- 12. Dodge/Burn

Function

- 1. Align
- 2. Move
- 3. Crop
- 4. Rotate
- 5. Scale
- 6. Shear
- 7. Perspective
- 8. Unified Transform
- 9. Handle Transform
- 10. Flip
- 11. Cage Transform
- 12. Warp

Function

- 1. Color Picker
- 2. Zoom
- 3. Measure
- 4. Text
- 5. Default colors
- 6. Swap Colors

PHOTOSHOP

Paint Tools

- 1. G
- 2. N
- 3. B
- 4. E
- 5. B
- 6. n/a
- 7. n/a
- 8. S
- 9. J 10. n/a
- 11. n/a
- 12. O

Transform Tools

- 1. V
- 2. V
- 3. C
- 4. Control + T
- 5. Control + T
- 6. n/a
- 7. Control + T
- 8. n/a
- 9. n/a
- 10. Control + T
- 11. n/a
- 12. n/a

Other

- 1. n/a
- 2. Z
- 3. n/a
- 4. T
- 5. D
- 6. X

TOP 12 KEYBOARD SHORTCUTS FOR PC USERS

This list includes my top used keyboard shortcuts and there Photoshop equivalent. I've changed the keyboard shortcuts in GIMP to match the same shortcuts I use in Photoshop. Please print out for reference as you watch this course. Especially if you do not plan on changing the shortcuts to match Photoshop.

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GIMP

- M
- 2. P
- 3. H
- 4. R
- 5. F
- 6. U
- 7. Shift + B
- 8. Shift + E
- 9. Shift + Control + A
- 10. Shift + Control + D
- 11. Control + Z
- 12. Control + Shift + J

Function

- 1. Move Tool
- 2. Brush Tool
- 3. Healing Tool
- 4. Marquee Tool
- 5. Lasso Tool
- 6. Fuzzy Tool
- 7. Bucket Fill
- 8. Eraser Tool
- 9. Select none
- 10. Duplicate layer
- 11. Undo
- 12. Zoom-out full interface

Рнотоѕнор

- 1. V
- 2. B
- 3. J
- 4. M
- 5. L
- 6. W
- G
 E
- 9. Control + D
- 10. Control + J
- 11. Control + Z
- 12. Control + 0

KEYBOARD SHORTCUTS FOR MAC USERS

GIMP

File Menu

- 1. Command + N
- 2. Shift + Control + V
- 3. Command + O
- 4. Command + Alt + O
- 5. Command + S
- 6. Shift + Command + S
- 7. Command + E
- 8. Shift + Command + E
- 9. Command + P
- 10. Command + W
- 11. Shift + Command + W
- 12. Command + Q

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Рнотоѕнор

File Menu

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- 2. Command + N
- 3. Command + O
- 4. n/a
- 5. Command + S
- 6. Shift + Command + S
- 7. n/a
- 8. Shift + Option + Command + W
- 9. Command + P
- 10. Command + W
- 11. Option + Command + W
- 12. Command + Q

Edit Menu

- 1. Command + Z
- 1. Command + Y
- 1. Command + X
- 1. Command + C
- 2. Shift + Command + C
- 1. Command + V
- 1. Shift + Command + V
- 2. Delete
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- 4. Command + C
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- 6. Command + V
- 7. n/a
- 8. n/a
- 9. Shift + F5
- 10. Shift + F5
- 11. Shift + F5

Select Menu

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- 3. Shift + Command + I
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- 5. n/a
- 6. n/a
- 7. Q

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- 2. F11
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- 4. Shift + Command + T
- 5. Shift + Command + R

Image Menu

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- 2. Command + M
- 3. Alt + Return

Layer Menu

- 1. Shift + Command + N
- 2. Shift + Command + D
- 3. Control + H
- 4. Page Up
- 5. Page Down
- 6. Home
- 7. End

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Рнотоѕнор

View Menu

- 1. Command + -
- 2. Command + +
- 3. Command + 0
- 4. n/a
- 5. n/a
- 6. Command +;
- 7. Command + R

Image Menu

- 1. n/a
- 2. Shift + Command + E
- 3. n/a

Layer Menu

- 1. Shift + Control + N
- 2. Command + J
- 3. Command + /
- 4. n/a
- 5. n/a
- 6. n/a
- 7. n/a

Tools Menu

- 1. M
- 2. Shift + M
- 3. L
- 4. W
- 5. n/a
- 6. C

KEYBOARD SHORTCUTS FOR MAC USERS

GIMP

Paint Tools

- 1. Shift + B
- 2. N
- 3. P
- 4. Shift + E
- 5. A
- 6. K
- 7. Y
- 8. C
- 9. H
- 10. Shift + U
- 11. S
- 12. Shift + D

Transform Tools

- 1. Q
- 2. M
- 3. Shift + C
- 4. Shift + R
- 5. Shift + S
- 6. Shift + H
- 7. Shift + P
- 8. Shift + T
- 9. Shift + L
- 10. Shift + F
- 11. Shift + G
- 12. W

Other

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- 2. Z
- 3. Shift + M
- 4. T
- 5. D
- 6. X

Function

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Function

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РНОТОЅНОР

Paint Tools

- 1. G
- 2. N
- 3. B
- 4. E
- 5. B
- 6. n/a
- 7. n/a
- 8. S
- 9. J
- 10. n/a 11. n/a
- 12. O

Transform Tools

- 1. V
- 2. V
- 3. C
- 4. Command + T
- 5. Command + T
- 6. n/a
- 7. Command + T
- 8. n/a
- 9. n/a
- 10. Command + T
- 11. n/a
- 12. n/a

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- 3. H
- 4. R
- 5. F
- 6. U
- 7. Shift + B
- 8. Shift + E
- 9. Shift + Command + A
- 10. Shift + Control + D
- 11. Command + Z
- 12. Control + Shift + J

Function

- 1. Move Tool
- 2. Brush Tool
- 3. Healing Tool
- 4. Marquee Tool
- 5. Free Select or Lasso Tool
- 6. Fuzzy or Wand Tool
- 7. Bucket Fill or Paint Bucket Tool
- 8. Eraser Tool
- 9. Select none
- 10. Duplicate layer
- 11. Undo
- 12. Zoom-out full interface

Рнотоѕнор

- 1. V
- 2. B
- 3. J
- 4. M
- 5. L
- 6. W
- 7. G
- 8. E
- 9. Command + D
- 10. Command + J
- 11. Command + Z
- 12. Command + 0