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Education

2019 M.F.A., Photography and Media, California Institute of the Arts || Valencia, CA

2014 B.F.A., Photography, Pacific Northwest College of Art || Portland, OR

Teaching & Workshops

2021 - current Portraiture, Cypress College || Cypress, CA

Introduction to Analog Photography, Cypress College || Cypress, CA

2025 - Documentary Photography, California State University, Long Beach || Long Beach, CA

Beginning Digital Photography, Pierce College || Woodland Hills, CA

2024 Beginning Digital, Chaffey College || Rancho Cucamonga, CA

2022 Beginning Black and White, California Institute of the Arts (CASSA) || Valencia, CA

Exploring Nature With Photograms, Hammer Museum || Los Angeles, CA

2021 Visual Diary, California Institute of the Arts || Valencia, CA

Visiting Artist Lectures

- 2021 University of California, San Diego || San Diego, CA
- 2020 University of California, Santa Barbara || Santa Barbara, CA
University of California, Los Angeles || Los Angeles, CA
- 2019 Pacific Northwest College of Art || Portland, OR
New York Film Academy || Burbank, CA
- 2018 Las Fotos Project || Los Angeles, CA

Solo Exhibitions

- 2025 still mo(u)rning, Official Welcome || Los Angeles, CA
- 2022 intimate, slow, No Moon || Atwater Village, CA
- 2019 the long way home, d300 || Valencia, CA
- 2018 back home, Mint Gallery || Valencia, CA
- 2012 A Southern Summer: 2 Weeks in Georgia, In Flux Gallery || Portland, OR
A Disposable Summer, Higgens Gallery || Portland, OR

Curatorial

- 2023 handle with care, Edouard de Merlier Gallery || Cypress, CA
- 2019 To the Front, The Trunk Space || Phoenix, AZ
To the Front, Allies Worldwide || Los Angeles, CA
- 2018 To the Front, Open Space Studio || Philadelphia, PA
To the Front, Main Street Gallery || Nashville, TN
To the Front, Zone 3 || Boston, MA
- 2017 To the Front, D-Beatsro || Toronto, ON, CA
To the Front, Silent Barn || Brooklyn, NY
To the Front, Allmost Gallery || Los Angeles, CA

Select Group Exhibitions

- 2024 Vitam Picturarum (La Vida En Fotos) Manos Amigues || Mexico City
Vitam Picturarum (Life in Photos) Plummer Park || West Hollywood, CA
My Shot, Punk Rock Museum || Las Vegas, NV
- 2019 To the Front, The Trunk Space || Phoenix, AZ
Counterpose, Photo LA || Los Angeles, CA
- 2016 #girlgaze: a frame of mind, The Annenberg Space for Photography Skylight Studios || Los Angeles, CA
- 2015 College Night at the Getty Center, The Getty Center || Los Angeles, CA
Light, Paper, Process: Students Re-Imagining Photography, Vincent Price Museum || Los Angeles, CA

Affiliates

[Diversify Photo](#)

[Women Photograph](#)

[To the Front](#) (co-founder)

Bibliography

2025 [Contemporary Art Review Los Angeles: Interview with courtney coles](#)

[Photographer Life Check: courtney coles- Prof. Pulitzer | 006](#)

2020 [Strange Fire Collective: Q&A: courtney coles](#)

[First Ever Podcast: Courtney Coles: Someone Has to Do It, Why Can't I?](#)

[The Luupe: Celebrating Ourselves: Self-portraits by Women and Non-binary Photographers](#)

[Musée Magazine: Triggered: courtney coles](#)

2019 [Hyperallergic: At CalArts, Graduating Students Are Making Sincere and Rigorous Work](#)

[Let's Talk With Scoggs](#)

2018 [Voyage LA Magazine](#)

[The Phoblographer: Courtney Coles: Photographing Musicians the Way Their Music Sounds](#)

2017 [New Noise Magazine: Girls To The Front show review](#)

2016 [#girlgaze](#)

[The Week: A Mother's Love from a Daughter's Point of View](#)

2014 [Foto Infinitum](#)

2012 [Nope Fun: Interview #265 Courtney Coles](#)

Self-Published

2021 a lesson in letting go

2018 somewhere in between (zine)

2017 be as it may (book; edition of 6)

2013 this too shall pass (book; edition of 12)

 post-adolescent idealism (zine; edition of 6)

 sorry for making you art (zine; edition of 15)

 just between us (zine; edition of 15)

2011 haircuts in apt. 310 (zine)

2010 invite me into your life (zine)
