

Getting reel: A tactical approach to re-designing the brand video

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Meet the team!



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Today's Workshop

- Pre-Production Understanding your Brand and Available Resources
- 2. Production Mastering the Video Creation Process
- 3. Post-Production Editing Tips and Tricks
- 4. Results Showing How Your Video Performed
- Lessons Learned

Walk away with plan for your next big video!



Pre-Production Understanding Your Brand and Available Resources



Establishing a creative plan



- Each organization will have different goals:
 - Increase Clinic Traffic
 - Raise Awareness about New Equipment
 - Remind Community of Current Offering



Branding Toolkit

- What are your brand guidelines? Google and share with us! (Raise your hand if you can access.)
 - Bonus points: Bookmark this page today!
- Brand guidelines help ensure that all assets created by an organization are uniform and comply with current visual standards.





Take Inventory of Your Assets

- What elements do you have? What needs to be created?
- Ensure consistency and brand standard
- Logos, colors, font families, etc.
- Digital Asset Gallery Video or image gallery available at our institution
- Know the terminology:
 - Lower Thirds
 - Intro/Outro Cards & Bumpers
 - Chapter/Text Cards
 - Poster Frames & Thumbnails





Procure New Assets

- Images iStock, Adobe Stock, etc. (Your organization may have an institution subscription to one of these already! Be sure to check.)
- Audio Music and Sound Effects YouTube library, Premium beats
- Royalty-Free Audio
- Popular Music
- Voice Talent Voice Overs Think of this as an interview. You'll have to conduct interviews, pick the right fit, and
- Animations/Graphics Do you need to contract this? Do you need to partner with a videographer to connect to a great animator/illustrator?



Getting into the Nitty-Gritty

- Who exactly is our key audience? Identify your audience age, demographic, culture, channel, internal and external, media/PR community.
- What are our major goals? Identify your goals informative, make people feel, grab/draw attention, draw action, define your identity.
- Who knows the important stuff we need to share? Interview the people at your organization – use those interviews to inform the direction of your video
- What impression do we want to leave? Brainstorm the emotions that you want people to feel.
- REMINDER: Video cannot accomplish everything! Remember to focus on the KEY elements you need to convey.



Video Style Inspo

- There are several style of videos you can create:
 - News/Video Press Release
 - Documentary
 - Informational Think recruitment here very straight-forward, factsbased
 - Profile Spotlights a new faculty member or program
 - Brand Anthem Explains your organizations "why"
 - Social Stuff! Thinking ahead: Can you repurpose your footage to be "social-friendly," too?

Let's watch some examples and see if you can spot which style is which video!



Social Videos – Let's go viral, in a good way!



- Tips and Tricks
- How to Film Reels / TikTok Videos
- Strategies for maximizing video reach



Brainstorming Exercise: Part 1

What does your brand need MOST right now?





10 minute-exercise: Building your roadmap

- Think about your organization's top three initiatives right now. What are they?
- If you had to pick a most compelling topic, what would it be? What do you need to tell your audience as a call to action?
- Think about how you'll showcase this idea. What is going to make this a good video? Do we have the abilities and resources to showcase this as a video?





Build Your Budget

Things to think about:

- Pre-Production (Scouting, Scripting, Storyboarding)
- Production (Filming, Talent, Studio time, Rentals, Location Fees, Contract Labor)
- Post-Production (Editing, Mastering, Graphics)
- Licensing (Music, Stock Elements)
- Ex. Production Estimate



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Photography/Production	Primary Filming: Sceres/Interviews	6.00	\$650.00	\$3,900.00
Photography/Production	6 Camera Operator	3.00	\$400.00	\$1,800.00
Photography/Production	Gaffer + Rental	1.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
Fool-Production	Transcripts, Edit, Revisions, Coton'Sound, Export for Distribution, Trailer Edit	15.00	\$650.00	\$9,750.00
Post-Production	Closed Captioning (Denerate SFC, upload to Youtube)	0.50	5650.00	\$325.00
Post-Production	Assistant Editor	7.00	\$400.00	\$2,600.00
Licensing	Music via PremiumBeat / SongFreedom	1.00	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00
Rental	Sony Fx8 or Equivalent + Evo Pro. Set Monitor	1.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
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Estimate Total



\$23,175,00

Stakeholder Approval



- Based on your ideas can you create a quick "pitch" of your idea that will show how they will advance goals / key priorities.
- Know the room can you ask for some extra resources here? Will you need to DIY this video?
- Start planning now for how you'll share your video. Content is great, but needs to be shared.



Production Mastering the Video Creation Process



Talent Identification



- Things to consider:
 - Political implications
 - Comfortability
 - On-Brand
 - Who is media trained?
- Prepping your talent:
 - Sample interview questions
 - Do/don't of attire
 - Media training or interview practice



Storyboarding & Scripting



A great resource for scripting when you get back to the office!



- Storyboard: Graphic portrayal of narrative you want to share
- Scripting tips:
 - Think about your "point of view"
 - Keep it conversational and on-brand
 - Don't over work it, less is more
 - Be flexible when filming. The best may come during the shoot.



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Location, Scouting & Scheduling

Ex. Call Sheet

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Day 4 of 4 Saturday, April 5, 2014

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Get to Know Your Tech

Cameras:

- iPhone Cinematic Mode, Portrait Mode
- If you're filming on an iPhone consider updating the following: Settings > Camera > Record Video > HDR video.
- TURN YOUR PHONE HORIZONTAL FOR "CINEMATIC" FOOTAGE.
- Gimbal with iPhone attachment
- Mirrorless Cameras (Cannon, Sony)
- Tripod/Slider/Gimbal
- Drones, etc. Practice flying, get a license and approval to fly in various spaces. Do your research!

Lighting:

- Ring Light or LED Lights
- "Golden Hour"
- Directional Lighting
- Window: 45 Degrees

Sound:

- Lavalier Microphone ("Lav") Connected to Phone
- Background Noise AC, Buzzing, Ambulance, etc.
- Get a microphone of some sort!
- Pro Tip: Get another take! You never know when you'll need it.



Interviewing Tips



Nervous people

- Let the tape roll might get you the best footage when they are chatting!
- Just have a conversation

Get portraiture shots during interview

- Walk down hall
- Look down/up + smile
- Look right down the camera
- Interaction with something or someone
- Pro Tip: Use speed and tempo. Slo-Mo and Fast-Mo can illustrate emotion and story themes.



Types of Shots and B-Roll



You have lenses, use them!

- Wide
- Medium
- Tight

B-roll examples to enhance footage:

- Building
- Drone Shots

Remember - You can use your phone to capture these images, too!



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Brainstorming Exercise: Part 2

Creating your tactical video plan.





Time to channel your inner-Hollywood creative!



Let's start thinking about how you'll complete this video when you get back home.

Here are a couple of items to keep in mind:

- Are there some awesome locations you can use to film? Field trip time!
- Who are the individuals who need to be your "stars"? How can you work to get them scheduled?
- How long is your content going to be? (Hint: Anything longer than 3-minutes will likely be too long.)



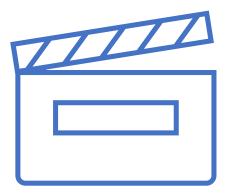
15-minute exercise: Create a how-to guide for yourself

- 1. What locations would you include?
- 2. What kind of shots will you include (plan everything or more organic feel)?
- 3. Plan who your talent will be. Will they be comfortable, available for filming?
- 4. How can you plan for some extra content, B-roll footage?
- 5. Plan music What vibe do you want to create?
- 6. Decide on length of video Hint, again: Think short and sweet!
- 7. How could you repurpose this video? (Leadership loves to hear about this!)



Video Planning Process

- 1. Brainstorm the key elements you want to include in your video.
- Contact a videographer / work with your team to plan content and create a basic script.
- 3. Meet for script revisions / frame breaks to match creative vision.
- Be open to ideas, but don't create a "camel."





HIPAA Compliance & Privacy

- Filming in the OR Do you have approval?
- Background chatter
- Identifiable features of patients, staff, etc.
- Know your public spaces
- Live videos are riskier
- Who needs to review the video?
- You will lose footage!





Post-Production Editing Tips and Tricks



Chris' Steps for Making a Great Video

- Organize Footage
- Back-Up Footage
- Plan for Redundancy 3-2-1
- Radio Edit Audio Only
- Story Arch
- Building Story from Transcript Exploratory
 - Transcription Software Understand compliance and AI concerns, if you use!
- Building story from themes
 - Mark themes in your footage.
- Pick the best and edit, edit, edit



Video Editing Software Recommendations



Beginner Software

- Adobe Rush and Canva offer very user-friendly options.
- Linkable features enable you to make lastminute edits if sending via email.

Intermediate Software

- Premier Pro
- iMovie

Expert Software

- Adobe Premiere Pro
- Final Cut Pro



Results Showing How Your Video Performed



What should your report look like?



The easier your report is to understand, the better it will do!

- Put key facts about: where you placed your video, how long it was viewed, and if there was a "most viewed" section.
- This is a great time to focus on numbers:
 - Total views
 - Total impressions
 - Total engagements
- Bonus Points: Can you show a conversion rate or how many people took an action because of your video?



Brainstorming Exercise: Part 3

What results do you want your video to produce?





Chris' Steps for Making a Great Video

- Beginning with the end in mind is a great strategy to ensure your videos are placed exactly where you need them to reach your target audiences.
- Places you may want to share your video / pull reports:
 - YouTube Does your organization have an institutional channel?
 - Social Media Can you capitalize on your investment with social media ads?
 - Clinical / Internal Signage This is great for patient-facing areas!
 - Thinking BIG! Commercial Space Is there a local television station / TV market that will help you?
- Reminder terms:
 - Engagement: How many people interact with your content (e.g., like, share, comment)
 - Impressions: How many people see your content (e.g., scrolling)



The Big Stuff Guidelines, Reminders, and Useful Info



Our Philosophy on Working with Freelance Teams

- Our creative partners are known for their talent. How can we help them capture our story?
- Be clear on initial goals of project.
- Be helpful! Go above and beyond to line up details before shooting footage.
 - Permission to use certain buildings
 - Clearance to enter clinical spaces
 - Line up all faculty / staff needed for filming & keep clear schedule
 - Keep expectations clear with stakeholders & leaders (copyright issue)



Our Philosophy on Working with Freelance Teams: Editing and Finalizing Footage

- Partner with your videographer to edit.
- Be open to critique. Thoughtfully listen and visit with leadership before providing feedback to avoid back-and-forth process.
- Come together and revisit goals and audience if there are conflicts.





Take it from us. Things we've learned.



- We could have been more intentional in who was featured.
- Some faculty were showcased multiple times. → Realize that some faculty / staff will have to cancel last-minute due to other obligations. Have a list of alternates!
- Think about the optics. We inadvertently showed more women and more staff members of a few divisions.





Contact us if you have any questions! We'd love to see your finished videos!



Questions?

Please be sure to complete the session evaluation on the mobile app!

