### **PR News Video Workshop**

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### **BROADCAST YOUR BRAND'S STORY**



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### **MAP YOUR LIVE VIDEO CONTENT STRATEGY**

WHAT ARE YOUR END GOALS? HOW CAN YOU DEMONSTRATE THIS IN A COMPELLING WAY?

WHAT IS THE CALL TO ACTION?





### **CASTING YOUR LIVE VIDEO HOSTS**

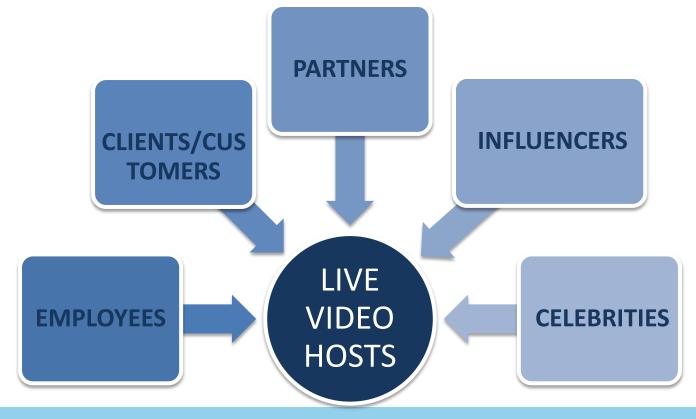
- 1. Can tell your brand's story
- 1. Are interesting to listen to
- 3. Are good at improvisation







### WHO CAN HOST YOUR LIVE VIDEO CONTENT?



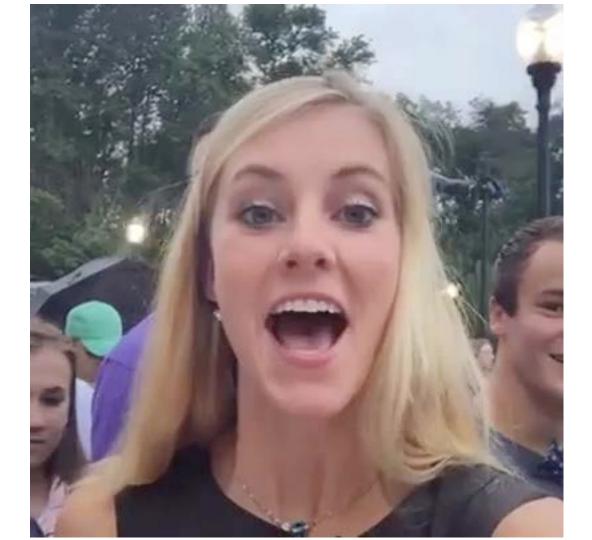


### LIVE VIDEO FROM YOUR SMARTPHONE



- Don't try to be something you're not
- Take advantage of the expectations of the medium
- Focus on the content and the voice
- Prepare and have back up plans!





### FACILITATING INTERVIEWS IN LIVE VIDEO

- You must plan for how you will keep your audience engaged
- Determine if the "host" will take questions or if a moderator is needed

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 Determine if you want them to look at the interviewer or into the camera







## PROMOTE IN ADVANCE

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**Georgetown Univ.** @Georgetown · 19 Dec 2016 What is the #ElectoralCollege? Why does it exist? We're answering questions live today at 3pm ET ow.ly/5Aod307dTWW #MeetTheProfs



PROMOTING YOUR LIVE CONTENT IN ADVANCE WILL INCREASE VIEWERSHIP AND HELP TO GAUGE INTEREST LEVELS



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### **KEEPING VIEWERS ENGAGED**

Take questions

- Use names of viewers
- Introduce yourself repeatedly throughout the broadcast
- Encourage participation
- Comment in the thread



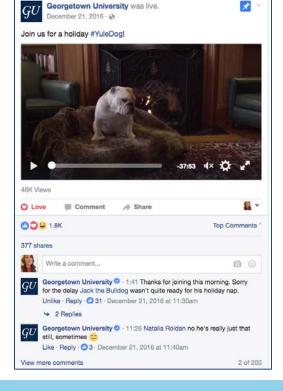


### PEOPLE SPEND 3X LONGER WATCHING LIVE VIDEO ON FACEBOOK COMPARED TO VIDEO WHICH IS NO LONGER LIVE.





## **KEEP THEM ENTERTAINED**









# **CHOOSING YOUR CAMERA**

#### **NO TRAINING**

- Great for filming on the go + impromptu moments
- Not suited for every context

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#### **MID LEVEL**

- Will require some training but easy for most people to learn very quickly
- A slightly more polished look



#### **EXPERTISE REQUIRED**

- Don't try to fake it if you don't have the technical expertise
- Wirecast or similar live webcasting software



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## LIGHTING THAT WORKS

- Set yourself up so the main light source is lighting your subjects at a slight angle
- Avoid arrangements where a strong light source is directly behind your subject
- Natural light is great!

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Do This



**Not This** 





## **AUDIO WORTH HEARING**

- Test, test, test! Know limitations in advance; manage expectations
- If you're going to be filming in a crowded area, use a clip on mic or headphones with a mic; Step out of the wind
- On Facebook Live use a moderator to respond in comments if audio is poor

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**Avoid This:** 



Georgetown University was live. Published by Alyssa Carrington [?] · April 9 · @

Abby Wambach and Norah O'Donnell live at Georgetown's 2016 OWN IT Summit







## **MASTER PRODUCTION TIPS**

- ✓ Keep the camera slow and steady when moving
- ✓ Check internet connection- use ethernet or wifi
- ✓ Look at the lens, not at yourself when filming yourself
- Head to a light bright room, or stand near a light source
- ✓ Have a colleague help moderate. Don't try to do it all!





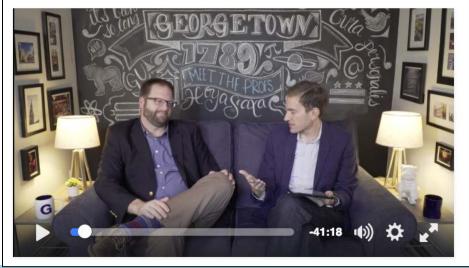
## SIMPLE STUDIO SET UP



Georgetown University was live. October 11 at 3:30pm · 🚱

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Today associate professors Hans Noel and Jonathan Ladd are talking about Sunday's presidential debate. Viewer questions are answered live during the broadcast.

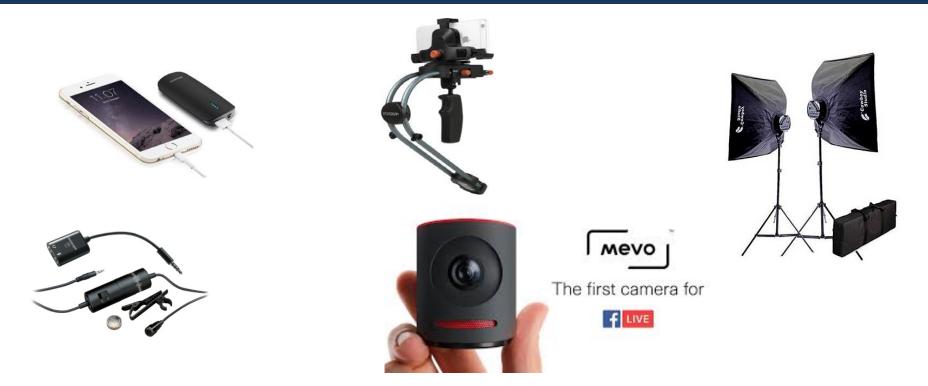


- Backdrop
- Seating
- Lights
- Sound
- Camera/mount

### Cost: \$2,500



### **DIY CREATION HACKS RECAP**





## MAJOR KEYS RECAP

- Have an end goal for why you are choosing live content. This will force you to produce better live video
- Choose "hosts" who can tell your brand's story, are interesting to listen to, and are good at improv.
  - Promote your livestream to established communities, leverage partners, and other forums to build buzz.
    - Pay extra attention to audio quality. Viewers will often forgive less than perfect live visuals but not bad sound.

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### **QUESTIONS?**





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## **Additional Helpful Tools**

Good microphones that are mobile ready:

<u>Rode</u>

**Tascam** 

<u>Sennheiser</u>

Clip on lenses

A great selection can be found here

- The Osmo
- Mevo live camera
- Portable smartphone battery