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# Virtual Marketing Workshop

Friday, May 1, 2020 | 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

## Agenda

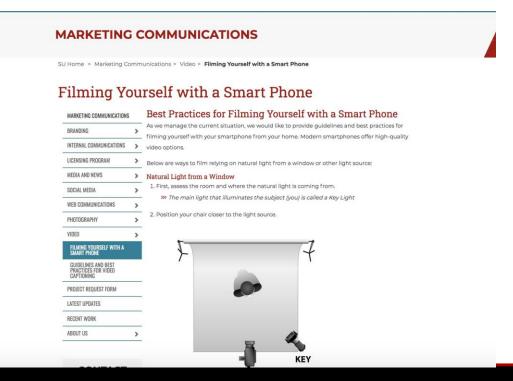
- Best practices for filming yourself with a smartphone and other DIY tips
  - Presented by Carter Johnson
- Accessibility and social media (including how to create video captions) –
  - Presented by Megan Otis and Matt Lipsen

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Best practices for filming yourself with a smartphone and other DIY tips

Carter Johnson

### Filming Yourself with a Smart Phone





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# Accessibility and social media (including how to create video captions)

Megan Otis and Matt Lipsen

## What is accessibility?

- Ensuring that all users including users with disabilities – can access and navigate your content
  - Users using screen readers, braille devices, and other assistive technologies
  - Visual enhancements
  - Keyboard-only or voice-controlled navigation



# Some types of disabilities that may impact web use

- Visual
  - Blindness, low vision, color-blindness, contrast sensitivity
- Auditory
  - Deafness, hard-of-hearing
- Motor
  - Inability to use a mouse, slow response time, limited fine motor control
- Cognitive
  - Learning disabilities, distractibility, inability to remember or focus on large amounts of information



## Why is it important?

- We cannot and should not exclude users with disabilities
  - Part of our mission, commitment to diversity and inclusion
  - Not good for business, not serving our stakeholders as well
- Web accessibility benefits all users, not just people with disabilities
- Seattle U is required by law to meet minimum web accessibility standards



# Best Practices for Accessible Social Media

- "Alt" descriptions for images
- Links
- Hashtags
- Color and contrast
- Captions for video / transcripts for audio

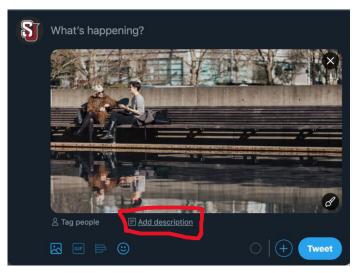


# 'Alt' description for images

- All images/graphics must have a short 'alt' description
  - Read to users by screen readers and must convey the meaning of an image to someone who cannot see it (or see it well)
  - Try to avoid using text heavy images



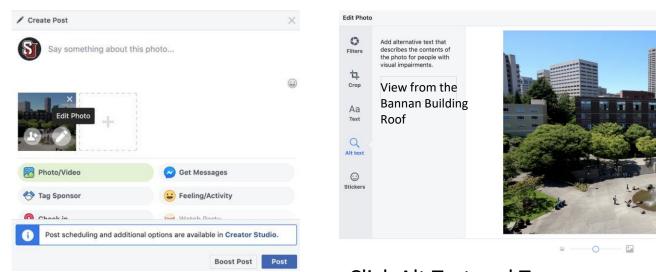
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Click "Add Description"



#### Alt Text- Facebook

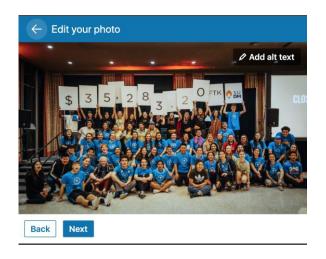


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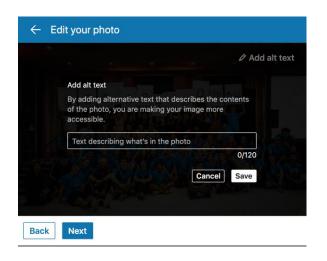
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#### Alt Text- LinkedIn



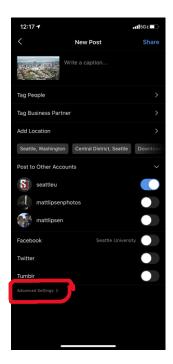
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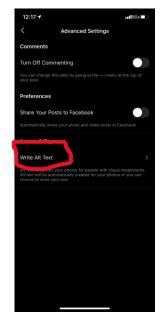


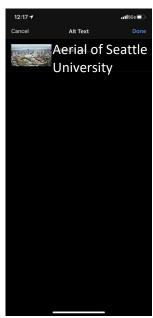
Describe what is in the photo



# Alt Text- Instagram







Click "Advanced Settings"

Click "Write Alt Text"



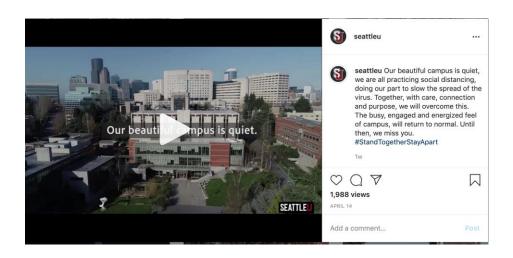
#### Link Text

Link text is read aloud by screen readers

- Use URL shorteners to decrease number of characters in a link
  - https://bitly.com/a/sign\_up

# Hashtags

#CapitalizeTheFirstLetterOfEachWord







#### Color and Contrast

- Be sensitive about color selection for text and background
  - Color blindness, contrast sensitivity
- Contrast ratio between the text color and the background color
  - 4.5:1 for normal text, 3:1 for large text
  - MarCom Brand Colors, includes recommendations for color combinations that meet accessibility guidelines for color contrast
  - Or use a contrast checker



### Options for Creating Video Captions

- Review and update auto-generated captions
  - Auto-generated captions MUST BE reviewed and corrected to meet legal guidelines
- Create captions yourself
  - e.g. YouTube "Transcribe and Auto-sync"
- Hire a 3<sup>rd</sup> party service, such as <u>Rev.com</u>
  - ~\$1.25 per video minute



#### Platforms that can create an SRT file

- Facebook
- YouTube\*
- Canvas Studio\*
  - \*SRT files generated by these platforms can be uploaded to other platforms (Vimeo, Twitter, LinkedIn)

## Instagram

- Captions must be "baked in" to the video file
  - Import SRT file into video editing software like
     Adobe Premiere (video by Matt Lipsen)
  - Captions and Subtitles for Premiere Pro by Orange83

#### Video Resources

- Best Practices for Filming Yourself With a Smart Phone
- MarCom Video Stock Footage, Bumpers and Overlays
- Guidelines and Best Practices for Video Captioning

#### **Additional Resources**

- MarCom Social Media Guidelines
- MarCom Web Team's Web Accessibility Guidelines
- <u>Carter Johnson</u>, Videographer
- Matt Lipsen, Social Media Marketing Specialist
- Megan Otis, Web Support Specialist
- Eli Voigt, Assistant Director for Digital Marketing