**URSS Video Competition**

The URSS Video Competition allows DU undergraduates a creative opportunity to convey their research or scholarship via a video platform. Students must create a video **under 3 minutes**, which will be viewed by a panel of judges. Students may submit a video to the Creative Video Competition in addition to participating in the URSS Poster Session.

**Submission Archive**

Click the links below to view playlists of student videos via YouTube from previous years.

* [2022 Video Competition](https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLgjAddO4_blE_-mir21K3B3mQU1DSGfqs)
* [2021 Video Competition](https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLgjAddO4_blE3nFl6rXVSbsFWRoP3eA9h)
* [2020 Video Competition](https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLgjAddO4_blG1neSvrQfMdyWN2eoyg_bK)
* [2019 Video Competition](https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLgjAddO4_blHjL0Nnc3D9aKLwfK_tKrsz)
* [2018 Video Competition](https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PLgjAddO4_blGIkZoEwNQhbSu8oe4k2gkT)

**Why should I enter?**

This is an opportunity to feature a DU project creatively using an alternative platform.

**How is the Creative Video Competition different than the required video that accompanies my virtual poster in the online symposium?**

The required video that accompanies your virtual poster is supposed to mimic your in-person explanation of your project. It is to serve as an "elevator pitch" in which you are facing the camera. The Creative Video Competition on the other hand allows you to edit, add sound, interview others (if applicable and with proper permissions), and film in alternative locations.

**Who is eligible to participate?**

Duquesne University undergraduates from any major who are involved in research or a creative activity. Your project can be independent or collaborative.

**Am I required to participate in the poster session at the URSS if I submit a video?**

Students who submit a video to the competition are not required to participate in the URSS poster session, however it is encouraged.

**How to submit**

•  Create a YouTube account and upload your video. Make sure the video is set to "unlisted". **Do not** select the status of "this video is for kids".
•  Once you have uploaded the video, go to our submission form and enter your information and the link to your public uploaded YouTube video.

**Video Format**

Other than the 3-minute time constraint, there are no restrictions on the format.
You can talk directly to the camera, discuss your work with another person, use animations, graphics, etc. The goal is to explain your research or scholarship to a non-expert audience and why it matters.

**As you are working, consider the following tips:**
•  Capture the audience's attention. Create a strong "hook" leaving viewers interested in hearing more.
•  Tell your story - your methods and findings.
•  Limit the jargon! Make sure your video is geared towards an audience of "non-experts" who are not in your field.

**NOTE:** Any student or team who submits a video to the URSS Video Competition, must review the [Fair Use and Copyright](http://guides.library.duq.edu/copyright/fairuse) information.