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Odyssey Introduction Video

The introduction video plays an important role in the placement process. It is essential that you put effort and care into creating a video that presents the best first impression of you. It demonstrates your communication style, presentation, and provides Odyssey directors--who will be viewing your video and confirming your final placement--an opportunity to get to know you on a more personal level. Once completed, follow the steps in your email to submit your perfected final version. Your video must be between 2 and 3 minutes.

When creating your video please consider the following:

1. Your appearance should be neat and tidy (business or school clothing/uniform).
2. Stand 2-3 feet away from the camera in an area free of distractions (clean, clear background) and in a well-lit room (light should be directed at your face so your features are visible).
3. Look directly into the camera. Do not read off of notes -- plan out and practice what you want to say. You may need to do several takes before you have a video that is ready for submission.
4. Ensure the audio and video are in synch and of very good quality (audible, crystal clear).
5. Speak clearly and confidently. Vary your tone, pace, and volume and speak without using fillers (um, ah, like). Odyssey is interested in HOW you present in addition to the thoughtfulness of your response.
6. Smile and be energetic --imagine you are meeting your instructors for the first time! Odyssey is looking for scholars with the energy level necessary for a fast-paced program, so you must submit a lively and engaging video!

Here's what to include in your video. Notice the flow of the script and the kind of information Odyssey is requesting. We are not looking for your resume. We want to see the fun and unique person we know you are. Think through how to get across what makes you-- *YOU*.

1. Your name.
2. How does Odyssey fit with your future goals?
3. What you like about Odyssey?
4. In your opinion, what builds the ideal community? Can you make the world a better place?
5. Something positive and interesting about you that makes you stand out from others! (i.e. Can you do an impressive number of pushups? Are you a blooming gardener? Can you make some mean mac and cheese? Think outside the box and use this as an opportunity to make a memorable impression.)

If you have any questions about your video submission please consult Odyssey Admissions at 404-367-5150.