

2021 Get to Know You Videos

As part of the placement process, the National Sea Grant Office (NSGO) will be recording videos with the goal of demonstrating the personality and character of the finalists and host offices. The goal is to help provide common ground for discussion as well as stand in the place of the traditional networking events.

These videos will be available prior to and during the placement process. More information on how these videos can be viewed will be provided closer to the placement process. Please do not share these videos with anyone outside of the placement process.

In an effort to standardize these videos, the NSGO will be recording all these videos and providing question prompts. Each recording session will take about 15 minutes and will be hosted via GoToWebinar. We would prefer to record these in house, as it will allow for us to ensure ADA compliance and for easy upload for sharing. Directions on how to sign up will be provided via email.

Along with the prompts, we encourage hosts and finalists alike to bring a bit of their own personality to the videos. Think creatively, you may want (but don't feel pressured) to bring a pet (furry, slimy or flappy), a piece of art, a cool background, a song, a special skill, etc. While these videos are meant to be casual and fun, we ask that you remain professional. NSGO staff are happy to provide tips in advance of recording.

In order to provide direction for these short videos, we have developed the following prompts. We encourage you to choose 3-5 of these questions to answer. For hosts with multiple people joining, just recognize, these are not meant to be long so please keep your stories short. We also ask you to consider who will be participating, it may be beneficial to have only the one or two folks the fellow will be directly working with to participate.

Host Prompts:

- Tell us the highlights of your background (ie. name, where are you from, what was/is your major area of study, past positions in your office or related positions you've held).
- In five sentences or less, tell us about a place you love/would visit and why?
- What is your "superpower" as in special or secret skill?
- Tell us a story that will help us remember you by - An "only in DC" experience you've had, your favorite place to go in the DC, MD, VA area
- What sort of professional groups do you participate in/professional interests do you have outside of work (volunteer, social, etc.)?
- What's a fun tradition in your office or an annual event that you look forward to? (I'm thinking agency-wide like NOAA Fish Fry or maybe an annual meeting/conference for an office)

Finalists Prompts:

- Tell us the highlights of your background (i.e. name, where are you from, which Sea Grant program nominated you, what was/is your major area of study).
- In five sentences or less, tell us about a place you love/would love to visit and why.

- What is your “superpower” as in special or secret skill?
- If you could have any superpower what would it be?
- If you could choose any superpower, what would it be and why?
- Tell us a story that will help us remember you by.
- Fill in this sentence: When I’m not busy ____ (something work related), you can usually find me ____ (something fun).
- What’s kept you busy during quarantine?

The NSGO Fellowships team, have recorded example videos of themselves for you all to get an idea of what to expect. They can be viewed [HERE](#).