# BRANDING & SOCIAL MEDIA FOR EXTENSION

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# **UA & CALS BRAND PLATFORM**

What is the UA Brand and how do I represent it?



# **UA BRAND PLATFORM**

#### **INSPIRATION**

At the University of Arizona, we're not bound by convention. We see things differently. This isn't a desert; it's a canvas. These mountains aren't obstacles, they're vantage points. Our big sky: it's a lens to the universe and our place in it.

Here, we're connected to the land and to the stars and it's up to us to bridge the space between. When there is a reference point for struggle, we help society rise to its challenges. Not only do we have the power to make a difference, but it is also our duty to do so.

That's because we exist at the intersection of history and culture and research and vision. Nothing can contain us. And we never stop pushing. Beyond boundaries, beyond expectations, and beyond ourselves. To make sense of the world, then make it better and brighter.



# **UA KEY MESSAGES**

- **1.** We see opportunities where others see obstacles
- 2. We embrace grand challenges with bold curiosity
- 3. We forge creative pathways to discoveries that would otherwise be impossible
- **4.** We are driven by our history to advance the work of those who came before us and to improve the world for those who will follow



# **UA BRAND ESSENCE**

#### PROGRESS

• Forward-thinking and willing to take risks

### CONFIDENCE

• Purposeful and driven to achieve our goals

#### OPENNESS

• Collaborative and unassuming

#### ADVENTURE

• Rooted in an exploratory spirit

#### • **DETERMINATION**

• Unwavering, always focused on impact

### INSPIRATION

• Optimistic and visionary, motivating others

# **CALS BRAND PROMISE**

#### "SCIENCE AT WORK"

The meaning behind it all – the anchor – that appears in writing, but never as a tagline.

When crafting content for social media, try to keep this anchor in mind, so that what you're showcasing to your audience represents "SCIENCE AT WORK."



# CALS KEY MESSAGES

- 1. Make a difference on a big scale / Be a part of something greater
- 2. Advance sustainability through better thinking
- 3. Establish deeply rooted, lifelong connections
- 4. CALS is a supportive community / Be a CALS champion
- 5. Share your passion for learning with future CALS generations
- 6. Bring meaningful connections to life
- 7. Share your passion for discovery
- 8. What you bring to the table affects the future
- 9. Advance solutions through connectedness



# **CALS VALUES**

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- ACTION
- CURIOUSITY
- CONNECTEDNESS & PARTNERSHIPS
- SUCCESSFUL GRADUATES

- IMPACT, UNDERSTANDING THE CONSEQUENCES OF OUR CHOICES
- LEADERSHIP
- HANDS-ON STUDENT EXPERIENCE

# **CALS BRAND ESSENCE**

#### CONNECTEDNESS

• A bridge between student learning, faculty research, industry and the community

### INTEGRITY

• We are aware of the consequences of today's actions, and we act accordingly to build long-lasting systemic solutions

### RESOURCEFULNESS

• We work across disciplines and industries to create unexpectedly efficient solutions

#### • SERVICE

• We support our students, our faculty, our community, and we are the heart of the land-grant mission of the U of A

#### TRAILBLAZING

• We are thinking generations down the line, and devising solutions to problems that others have not even envisioned

#### VITALITY

• Our energy and dedication to solving the world's grand challenges are boundless.

### CONNECTEDNESS

- Use inclusive language such as "we", "us" and "you"
- Focus on community results and benefits
  - "Small farmers win with the UA's new discovery of..." Tell your audience who benefits instead just announcing the discovery itself.
- Ripple effects of your challenges, discoveries or work
  - "Every community is challenges by drought..."
- Mention partners when possible



### INTEGRITY

- Trustworthy language
  - "count on CALS to...", "We said we would do x by y. We did it.", "..., as promised."
- The right thing vs. easy; show effort and resources needed to do it well
- Let others comment/do the talking to show we're trusted
- Share news stories directly from major news sources
- Testimonials (students, community, scientists)
- Showcase your experts = implies quality



### RESOURCEFULNESS

- Confident problem solving
  - "We are...", "We know..." instead of "We may..."
- Optimistic
  - "We can..." and "We will..."
- Unexpected results or methods
- Show happy results and talk about big challenges
- Curious juxtapositions: "You might expect..."



### SERVICE

- Serving the next generation and beyond
  - "Our children's children...", "Future generations..."
- Reference our Stakeholders
  - Arizona, students, community, world/humanity
- Optimistic responsibility
  - "We have the opportunity to...", "It's on us..."

### TRAILBLAZING

- First, Ahead
  - "...build the path...", "...create a new way..."
- Forward momentum
  - "reaching...", "closer...", "(solution is) in sight..."
- Sense of urgency
  - "Now...", "We will..."
- Vision, Possibility
  - "What if?", "Envision...", "Dr. Y connected the dots..."
- Embrace Challenges
  - "Why not...", "Why can't we..."

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### VITALITY

- Strength
  - "Leading the charge..."
- Warmth
  - "We, us" invite the audience to participate
- Optimism
  - "We can...", "We will..."
- Energy
  - "Can't wait to..."
- Growth
  - It's not over! What are the future possibilities?

# **SOCIAL MEDIA TIPS**

Represent the UA, and your objectives, on social!



# **UA ON SOCIAL MEDIA**

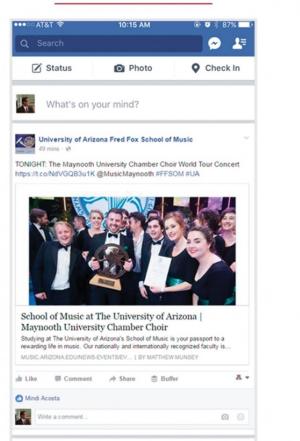
### **PROFILE PHOTOS**

We are one university, and to strengthen the merits of our brand we are represented by that recognizable identity.

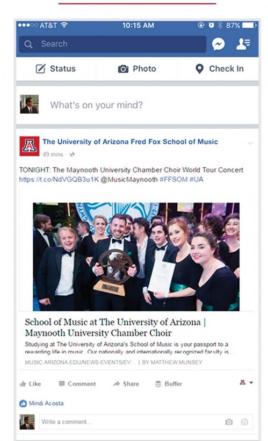


### **UA ON SOCIAL MEDIA**

#### **Current State**



#### **Best Practice**



# **SOCIAL MEDIA GOALS**

### WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO ACHIEVE?

- Identify your business goals
  - Inform your audience of research being done. Ask for participation; what is the call to action?
- Compare to wider communications/marketing plan
  - What other marketing are you doing besides social media?
  - How does social marry with these?
- Set up smaller S.M.A.R.T. goals!

# SOCIAL MEDIA GOALS

# S.M.A.R.T (Specific, Measureable, Achievable, Realistic, and Timely)

- Target a specific area for improvement
- Measureable
  - Identify an indicator of progress
- Assignable
  - Who will do the work?
- Realistic
  - What can be achieved in a realistic time frame?
- Timely
  - Is the content timely? Timely measurement is also important.



# **CONSIDER YOUR AUDIENCE**

### LOOK AT YOUR AUDIENCE

Actually look at your audience, don't just guess!

- Facebook Insights > "People"
- Twitter Analytics > "Audience"

### **USER BEHAVIOR: LIKE VS. SHARE**

"Likes" are a vanity metric. The "share" is a better engagement metric.

- Likes are less committal
- Sharing is bringing it to a user's personal community



# WHO WILL SHARE MY CONTENT?

Unit	Most Likes	2 <sup>nd</sup> Most Likes		
The UA	M, 25-34 (16.3%)	M, 18-24 (16.2%)		
Alumni Association	W, 25-34 (18.2%)	W, 35-44 (14.7%)		
F.F. School of Music	M, 25-34 (16.7%)	W, 25-34 (15.8%)		
UA Football	M, 25-34 (15.4%)	M 18-24 (14.9%)		
Eller College	M, 25-34 (26.8%)	W, 25-34 (19.3%)		
Arizona Law	W, 25-34 (21.4%)	M, 25-34 (19.1%)		
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# **NOW WHAT?**

### Find a balance



Don't ignore your most engaging audience. If you are trying to reach someone else, consider an alternate platform.



# **SHARE-WORTHY CONTENT IS...**

- Honesty, not clickbait
- The whole story, without having to leave social network
- Easy to understand
- Content that is useful, entertaining or inspirational (Psychological Science, May 2013)



# **CONSIDER YOUR PLATFORM**

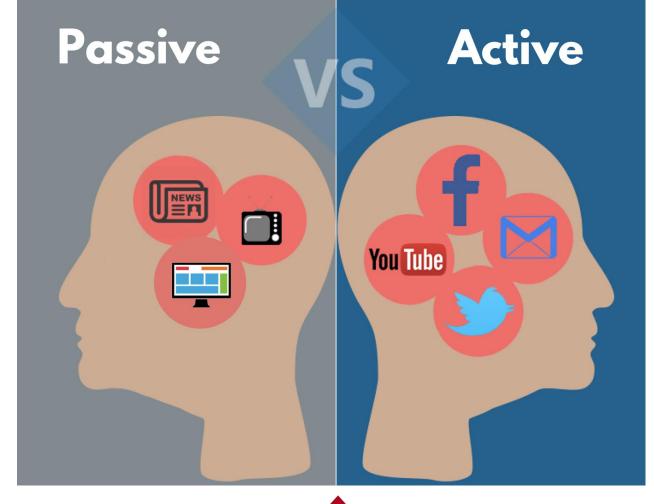
#### **DISTRIBUTION IS NOW KING**

Audiences do not want to leave their content environments. You are bringing content to them where they are (social media). Don't make them leave, or you will lose them.

### POST CONTENT TAILORED FOR THE CONTENT PLATFORM

Content environments and their audiences are picky. People like to know what to expect, and what does not fit their expectations, they ignore. Choose content that will work on the distribution platform you're using.





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#### The University of Arizona

Published by Kimberly Davis [?] - December 6, 2016 - 🕅

The newest memorial on campus, with its overt and subtle elements, speaks to UA tradition, design and the continuing effort to preserve the memory of 1,177 sailors and Marines killed on the USS Arizona during the 1941 bombing of Pearl Harbor. More here: http://bit.ly/2h37RgM



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#### We remember December 7, 1941 #PearlHarbor75



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UA's U.S.S. Arizona Memorial Makes 'Quiet Statement' #PearlHarbor75



#### UA's Mall Memorial Makes 'Quiet Statement'

Lt. John William Finn took charge of a machine gun and began returning fire after the first attack by Japanese airplanes on Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941. Nearby, Fran... uanews.arizona.edu

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We remember December 7, 1941. #PearlHarborRemembranceDay #PearlHarbor #PearlHarbor75



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# **CONTENT DISTRIBUTION LITMUS TEST**

#### FREQUENCY

Is your intended audience there?

### CONNECTION

Is the content right for the platform?

#### CONNECTION

Is the content easy for your audience to consume?



# SOCIAL CONTENT CREATION TIPS

### Photos, video, GIFS...oh my!



# **VIDEO TIPS**

### **VISUALLY DRIVEN**

85% of users do not turn on the audio of videos on social. Caption them for this reason, and for accessibility purposes!

#### SHORT AND SWEET

30 second videos (or less) are ideal. 45 seconds max.

### **ONLY HAVE PHOTOS?**

Turn photos into video with the Adobe Spark app.



# **PHOTO TIPS**

#### **PEOPLE IN ACTION**

People want to see other people doing things. It's more engaging.

#### **RULE OF THIRDS**

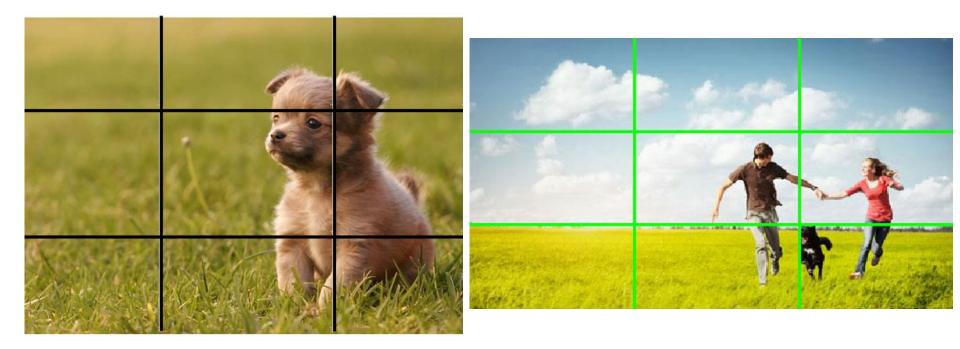
Don't place your subject in the middle of the frame, place them in the left third or right third of the frame.

#### NARROW IT DOWN

You can add many photos to a Facebook album, but curate it down. Your audience's attention is limited.

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# **RULE OF THIRDS**



# **REACHING STUDENTS? GIFs!**

#### GIPHY.COM/CREATE/GIFMAKER

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# **QUESTIONS?**

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