

BENNINGTON

FIELD WORK TERM REFLECTIVE VIDEO GUIDELINES - *This option is available to all students except FWT Memorial Grant and Public Action Grant recipients.*

Purpose

We invite you to create a video narrative that conveys one or more important aspects of your FWT work experience, and that captures your reflective voice in the process. Your video is a chance to demonstrate your storytelling skills while helping you advance your stated learning objectives. Delve into an issue your site addresses; document your professional and personal growth through a candid landscape; or share what you've been up to over FWT and how it connects to your work back at Bennington.

Process

Reflective videos must be a minimum of three minutes, but should not exceed five minutes. In addition to crafting an edited video, you will also need to submit a 600 word reflection on the video making process.

Before crafting your video, carefully consider what you want to document: will your film be informational? Educational? Motivational? How will you infuse it with your reflective voice? After you've considered your subject matter, move on to the logistics: equipment; scripting; editing time and capability; and video and audio quality.

Remember that documentary films often have the highest shooting ratios; don't expect to shoot 10 minutes on your iPhone the last day of FWT to create a compelling and/or acceptable reflective video project. If any of your co-workers appear on camera, remember to have them sign this [release form](#). The form's purpose is to confirm that the participant has agreed to be recorded and understands your intent. It also serves to permit Bennington College to, with your consent, publicly display the reflective project with various College constituencies.

Personal Reflection

Your reflection should specifically address how the documentary process has informed your FWT experience. Possible questions to respond to might include:

- What part of your work did you choose to document and why?
- How did storyboarding or scripting help you evaluate this FWT experience?
- Did you capture something on film that surprised you?
- How has documenting this experience helped you to gain perspective on your FWT experiences and learning objectives?
- What aspects of your FWT experience have been uncovered through your documentary process?
- How does this documentary experience connect to how you examine your life at Bennington?

Due Date and How to Submit

Upload your reflective essay and video consent form(s) onto WorkLink by February 23, 2018. Log in to WorkLink, click on "Your FWT: Register and view your FWT Records." Click "Submit Reflective Project" next to your 2018 FWT Site. Written work can be submitted as a Word doc or PDF. Follow the prompts on this page and *make sure to click "Submit" when your work is complete.* **Video files should be emailed directly to the FWT Office at fwt@bennington.edu.**

Site Evaluations

Completing a site evaluation allows you to share your thoughts with other students and the FWT Office on topics such as supervision, quality of work, and value of the experience. Please take a few moments to complete a site evaluation for your 2018 FWT. Click on "Site Evaluation" next to your current FWT Site (just above "Submit Reflective Project").