

Introduction to the Three-Minute Thesis Competition(3MT)



Housekeeping Rules

- ❖ When using WebEx on a mobile device, there will be a button with <u>THREE dots</u> in the lower corner. This button will include options such as the chatroom option.
- ❖ Forward all immediate questions to the live chat. The chatroom will be monitored throughout the duration of the presentation



Three Minute Thesis (3MT) University of Queensland in Australia

- Developed by the Dean of the Graduate School
- First competition held in 2008
- Now held in 900 universities across 80 + countries
- 2020 Now virtual due to the pandemic
- Cultivates students' academic, presentation, and research communication skills.



A virtual competition-for Masters and Doctoral students

- ✓ Open to DSU graduate students
- ✓ Competition date: March 24, 2021
- √ You must apply in advance
- ✓ No walk-ins
- ✓ Strongly encouraged to work with your advisor
- ✓ <u>Dress</u> Code Professional dress



Eligibility

- ✓ Currently enrolled doctoral or master's candidates
- √ Good academic standing
- ✓ Meet program's candidacy requirements by competition date
- ✓ Dissertation Proposals must have been approved by advisory committee
- ✓ Graduated students are not eligible





Competition Rules

- Single static PowerPoint slide
- Presentations are limited to 3 minutes
 - If you go over three minutes, you are disqualified
- No academic or scientific jargon
- No electronic media or props
- Must be in spoken word



What 3MT can do for students:

- Develop poise
- Professionalism and confidence
- Improve presentation skills
- Helps with critical thinking and summarizing
- Prepare for job interviews and questions



Where do I start?

- ☐ Narrative, beginning, middle and end
- ☐ Condense your research
- ☐ Attention grabbing opener
- ☐ Have a clear outcome in mind
- ☐ Audience take away
- ☐ Work with your advisor



Delaware State University

Competition Preparation

- ✓ Revise
- ✓ Proofread
- ✓ Ask for feedback
- ✓ Pitch it





3MT Judging Criteria

- Comprehension and Content
- > Engagement and Communication
- ➤ Students are judged on ease of delivery, ability to summarize the thesis understandable by anyone
- ➤ If you go over three minutes, you are disqualified



Competition PowerPoint

- Legible, clear and concise
- Less is more
- Personal touches
- Work your message



<u>Competition</u> Presentation

- Pre-recorded Video
- Device Options
- Light
- Sound
- Background
- Editing https://www.kapwing.com



Video Preparation - Vimeo

Vimeo



Using Vimeo

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• Create a vimeo account

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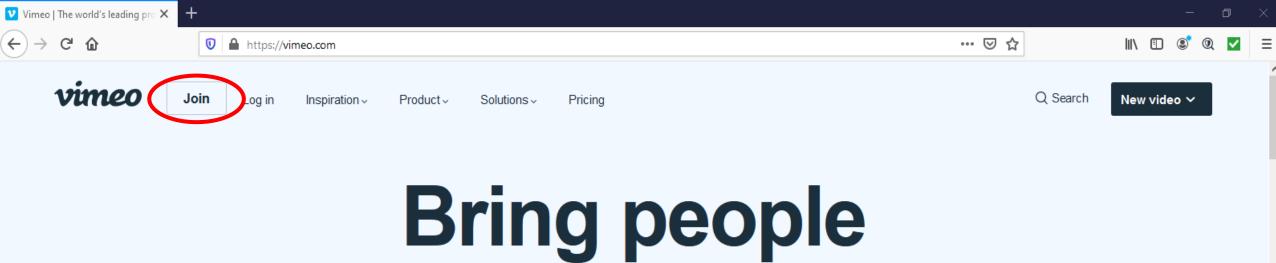
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• Go to https://vimeo.com/

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Click

• Click the Join button



Bring people together with video.

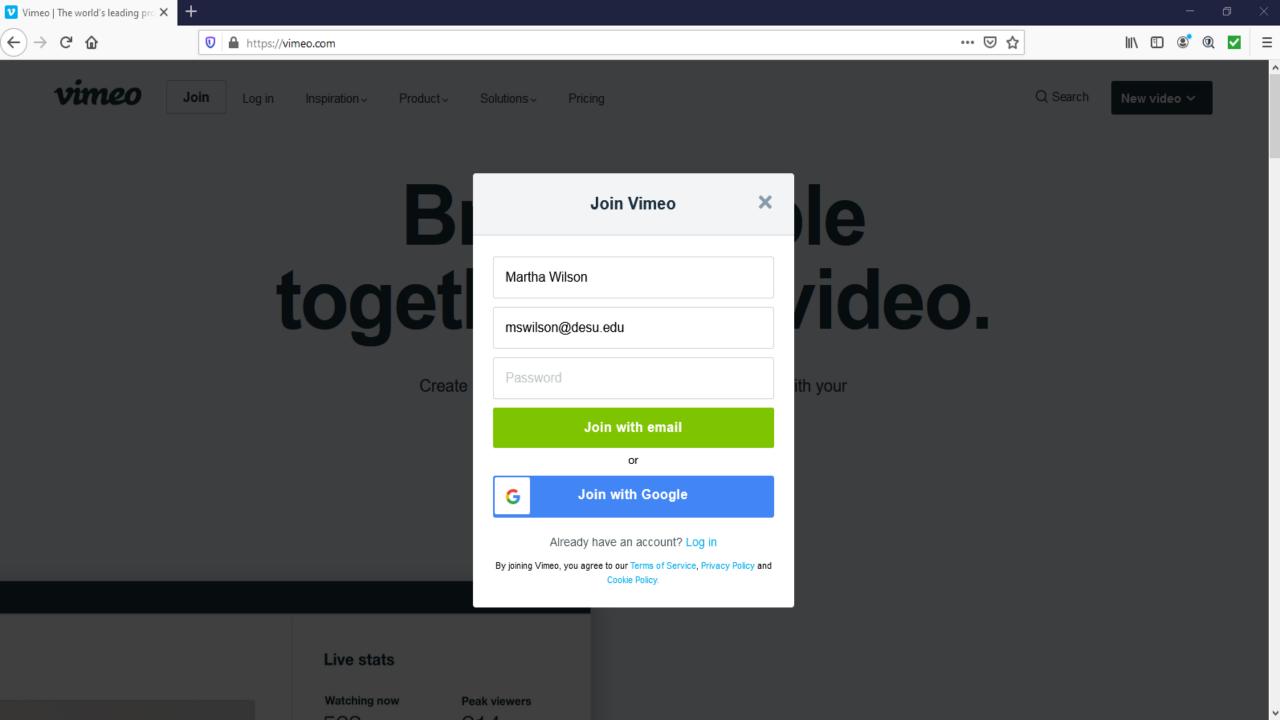
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See plans

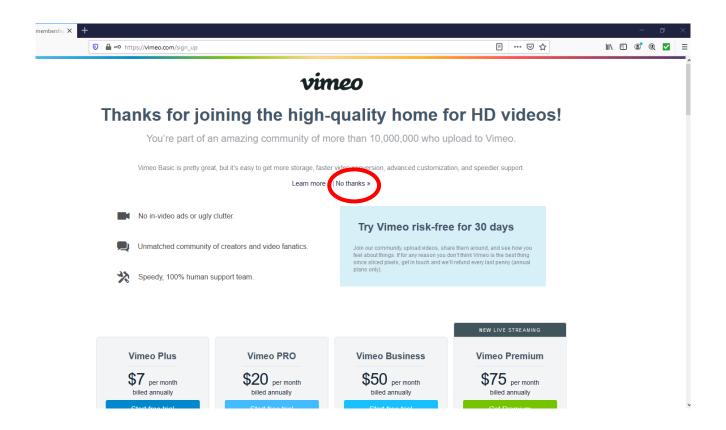
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Live stats

Watching now Peak viewers

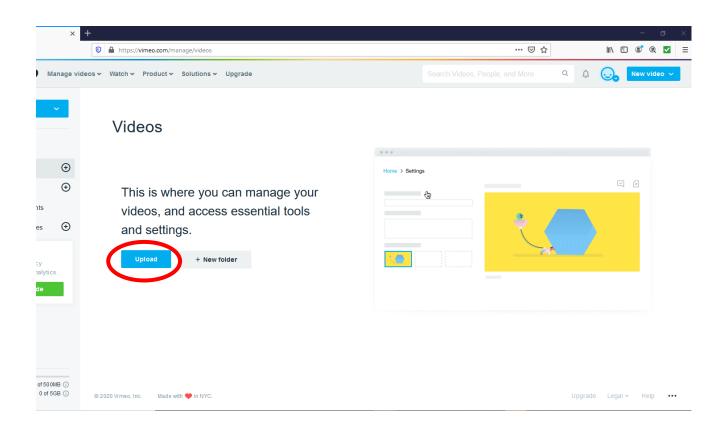


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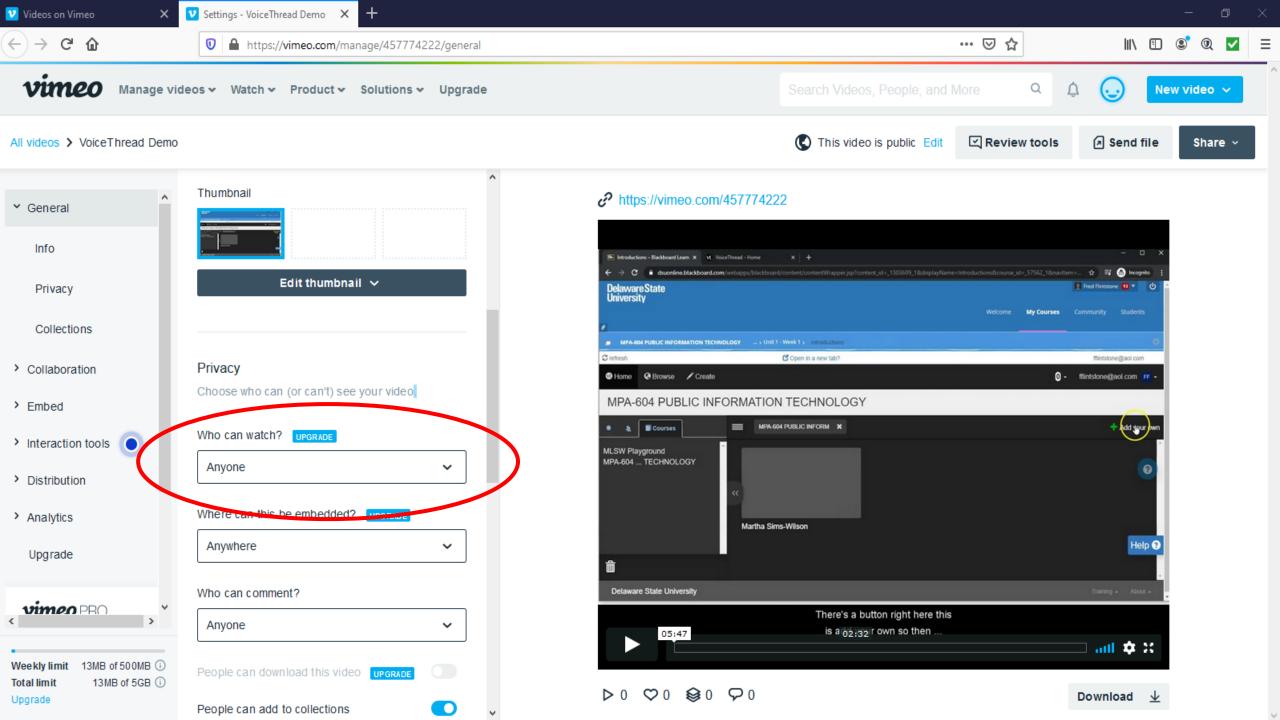
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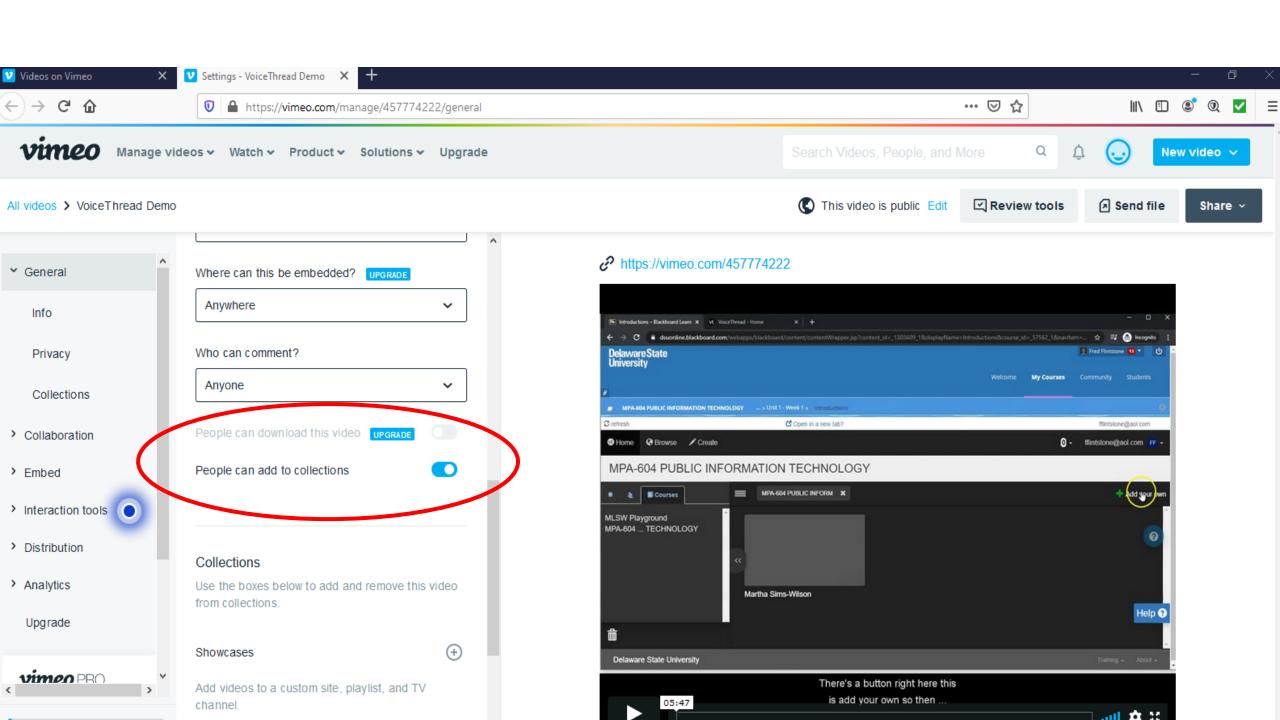
Uploading videos to vimeo from a computer



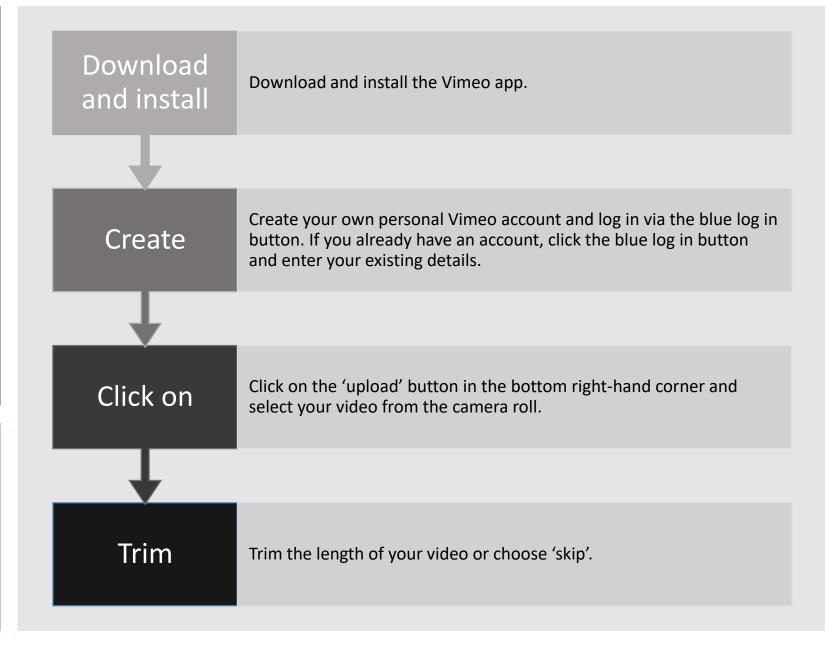
Click Upload and select video to upload

- Ensure the privacy setting is set to 'Anyone can see this video'.
- Ensure the setting 'People can add to collections' is switched on.
- Give your video a title: Name_3MT Title
- In your video description please place the following:
 - 2020 3MT Competition
 - 。 Name:
 - 。 3MT Title:
- The Vimeo link to your video is the link you will submit to your 3MT Event Coordinator along with your 3MT title slide and 3MT PowerPoint slide so the judging panel can view and assess your presentation.





Uploading to Vimeo – Smart phone



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- NOTE: After you have created your first video, you will then click the blue "New Video" button instead of the upload button.



Competition Prizes Master's Category and Doctoral Category

Winner

• \$250 and Winner's Certificate

Runner Up

• \$150 and Runner Up Certificate

People's Choice

• \$100 and People's Choice Certificate

Certificate of Participation for all



• 3MT Competitor Guide

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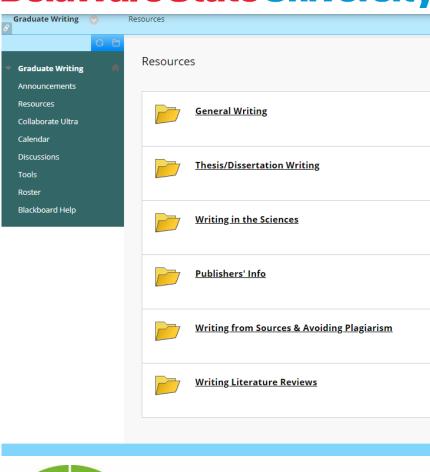


3MT Blackboard Community

Information session recording

Presentation resources

3MT Links





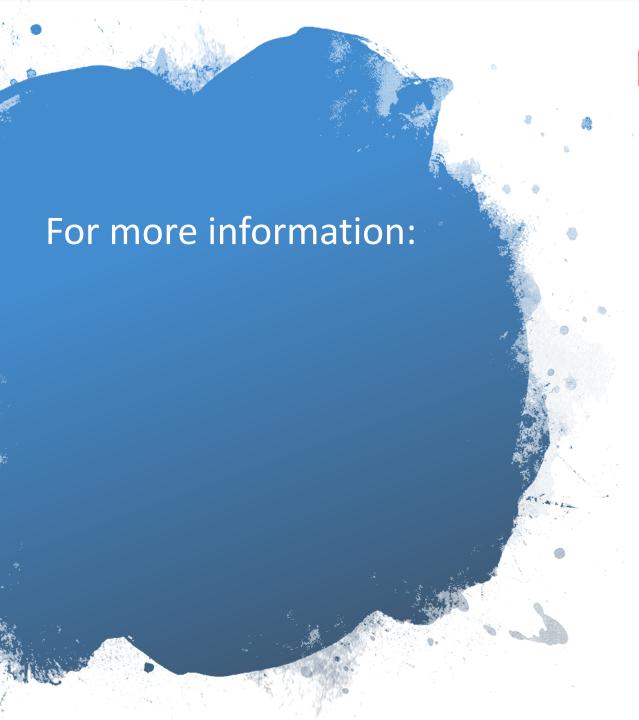


Past Winners

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