

Video Script and Introductory Statement

Note: 500 words in the script will take a little under 4 minutes to speak, which and is the recommend amount of time for your introduction video.

Sample Introduction Video Script

Hello Everyone! Welcome to Biology 101, I am Professor Dr. Susan Carter and you can refer to me as Dr. Carter. I am excited to be your professor and to connect with you today to introduce you to Biology 101. I have been teaching in the Faculty of Science for 10 years, I have my Biochemistry degree and master's from McMaster University and my doctorate degree from the University of Windsor. I am very passionate about teaching this course because I bring a wealth of knowledge and industry experience to share with all of you.

On a personal note, I have 2 wonderful children who are 8 and 12 and a funny golden retriever named Oscar. I find I am more productive and stay positive if I take time away from the screen and focus on leading a balanced life. Therefore, I schedule time for a daily walk and to play tennis with friends. I encourage you all to engage in some sort of physical activity, especially this year.

Listen I am a human, I am not a human head, or just a figure on the screen. I have several degrees and I have been teaching for years, but I am going to make mistakes. Just be kind to me and to yourself, if you notice something goes wrong. With an online platform, it's inevitable.

To my Biology 101 students of 2020. The first thing I want to say to is that “you are not alone”, and I realize more than ever that **you** are more important than this class. We are in the middle of unprecedented times, however, I am here with you every step of this way as we journey through this online course together. I know the idea of taking this class online may seem a little overwhelming, but I have really worked hard to design a course that you will enjoy, feel connected to, and find easy to navigate.

I have also made my lecture materials easy to find, under the lecture materials tab, and will give out the material each week. I have included a calendar and I have worked with the other faculty within the department to make sure we have staggered the tests and assignments as much as possible. I also had students preview my course material to include the student's perspectives. For simplicity, we have lectures for the first 6 weeks through the blackboard virtual classroom. Even though this is an online course, I will ensure we connect on a personal level throughout the semester and I will be checking with you frequently.

I care about you, I want you to succeed, and I don't want you to be confused. I realize you are a student who has other courses and other priorities, so I make this course as easy as possible to navigate. But if you are confused, that's o.k. You can reach me via email, which is my preferred

contact method, or connect with me during virtual office hours. I am available to you and happy to help.

I am looking forward to meeting you and I can't wait to read your discussion post for this week where you will introduce yourself! Then we will meet on our first lecture day in the virtual classroom, where all lectures will be recorded.

I am passionate about teaching and the interactive and engaging content in this course. I am looking forward to taking this journey together!

Introductory Statement Example

Welcome to Anatomy 101. Your joining other learners within this online space to explore the fundamentals of Anatomy. I am excited to be teaching this course and to have you in this class and I look forward to your contributions to this online learning community! I have designed a course that is interactive and engaging and I am excited to share it with you.

To begin, I recommend exploring the course site, and look at the syllabus, social contract and academic integrity information. Familiarize yourself with the assignments and assessments that you are required to complete in this course. The discussion board and virtual classroom will be where we will spend much of our time so please familiarize yourself with these links on the left. Office hours will be held in the virtual classroom.

In this course we will have activities where we are learning together and on our own. Most weeks we will be meeting in the virtual Classroom from 5:30-7 on Mondays. Most weeks when you will be required to complete learning activities within that week's tab on your own, such as readings, formulate a discussion post or watch a video. Also, there is no textbook for this course, all the material will be provided.

If you have questions about the course please reach out to me via email, or during office hours. My contact information can be found on the left tab entitled instructor. My usual turnaround time for emails is within 2 days. I wish you luck and I am excited to start this journey together!



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