



How will it work?

- All students who participate will submit a 3 minute video or poster of their research or creative project, following the guidelines below.
- Presentations will be uploaded to the [Knox HORIZONS page](#) and available for viewing during the week of May 17-21, 2021. The event will be promoted and shared widely with the Knox community and beyond.

Who can participate?

- Outstanding current students nominated by Knox faculty and staff
- All students who participated in senior research, honors, capstone/seminar projects, and independent study during academic years 2020 and 2021 (includes recent graduates)
- **Senior students:** your project does not need to be completed by the time of submission; it can be in-progress!
- Students who have received a Richter grant: you're required to present at HORIZONS after completion of your project!

Why participate?

- Celebrate your hard work with your professors, mentors, friends, and peers!
- Share your video on your own social media and include it on your resume/CV after the HORIZONS week in May

The Details

- Presentations should be **no more than 3 minutes in length**, either video or poster format
- **Record a video of yourself**

For research or academic projects:

- Read part of an original paper or summarize your project. If you're reading part of your paper, time yourself while reading
- Powerpoint presentation of your project, with you speaking while the slides roll

For creative projects:

- Recite part of an original piece of creative writing or poetry
- Show a clip of a short original film or original artwork

- **Create a poster (non-video option)**
 - Use a Powerpoint poster template to share the highlights of your project
 - Tip: Choose “Virtual Standard Screen 4:3 Ratio” option from a [free template](#)

How to Organize and Share Your Content

For an **original paper** you want to read:

- Before recording, choose the parts you want to include and then time yourself while reading it (remember: 3 mins only!).
- Introduce yourself and the title of the project, then read the parts you’ve chosen
- Close with a brief statement that summarizes/concludes the rest of the paper (that you didn’t have time to read). How did your project increase your knowledge of the subject or advance your field? You may also share how it impacted your academic or creative goals.

For research projects that you are **summarizing** in either a video or powerpoint presentation:

Tip: Record in Zoom (save the recording to the cloud), share your screen (with the slides), then record yourself going through the presentation. When done, use the “Shared Screen with Speaker View” footage stored in the Zoom cloud.

- Introduce yourself and the project with a brief “attention getter” where you share the significance/reason for the study/project
- State your contribution by providing the audience with any research questions, hypotheses, your thesis or your approach (creative)
- Tell us how you did it by briefly explaining your methods
- Tell us what you found or are expecting to find (your results/outcomes/analyses)
- How did your project increase your knowledge of the subject or advance your field? You may also share how it impacted your academic or creative goals.

For **creative projects**, either original creative writing, poetry, film, or artwork:

Before recording, determine how you will present your creative work. If it is artwork, make sure the lighting is good. If creative writing or poetry, time yourself while reading it (3 mins tops!).

- Introduce yourself and the title of the project
- Share your approach and why you chose that approach
- Tell us how you did it by briefly explaining your methods
- Tell us what you found or are expecting to find (your results/outcomes/analyses)
- How did your project increase your knowledge of the subject or advance your field? You may also share how it impacted your academic or creative goals.

Format & Editing

- Videos must be submitted in **.mp4 format**
- You may shoot the video on your smartphone, or using Zoom, Vimeo or WeVideo
- If needed, edit your video to make it as polished and professional as possible
 - [Tips for using your iPhone](#). If using your phone, be sure to shoot horizontally!
- Once you have shot your video, [take a screenshot photo](#) of the part that best captures your presentation. We'll use this for the thumbnail image.
- Posters must be submitted in a poster template format

How to Participate

Complete these **three parts** by **April 23** at midnight:

- Complete the HORIZONS [Student Participation Form](#)
- Submit your video/poster **and thumbnail image (see below)** to [this Google Drive folder](#)
 - For the thumbnail image, we need either a **photo of you** OR a **photo that explains your presentation** (do not just turn your first slide) in JPEG format. Instructions:
 - **To take a photo of yourself**, choose a simple background and make sure your phone camera is horizontal when taking the photo.
 - **To capture a photo from your video presentation**: Using a PC, use the [Windows Snipping Tool](#) (Mac users, hit Command +Shift+4). Pause your video on the image/part of the presentation you want to capture, then copy and save it.

Questions?

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