



“IS THERE A  
RECORDING? CAN I  
GET THE SLIDES?”

## THE DEATH OF LIVE WORKSHOPS

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# LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- ❑ Authentically reconsider the value of recording & sharing lectures
- ❑ Examine the pedagogical value of a live workshop versus learning with multimedia
- ❑ Recognize the value of beginning with video and following up in person instead of the other way around!



# APA & PubMed Workshops

	APA Online	APA In-person	PubMed Online	PubMed In-Person
<b>Spring 2022</b>	10 registered 1 attended	8 registered 2 attended	12 registered 5 attended	9 registered <b>0 attended</b>
<b>Fall 2022</b>	7 registered 3 attended	4 registered <b>0 attended</b>	11 registered 4 attended	8 registered <b>0 attended</b>
<b>Spring 2023</b>	9 registered 3 attended	7 registered <b>0 attended</b>	15 registered 6 attended	6 registered <b>0 attended</b>

# A QUESTION TO CONSIDER

In the past 3 months, how many hour-long missed

- ✓ Presentations
- ✓ Webinars
- ✓ Workshops HAVE YOU WATCHED?

HOW MANY POINTS?

WE FEEL **GOOD** WHEN WE **SIGN UP** TO LEARN NEW THINGS - 1 POINT

WE FEEL **GOOD** WHEN WE **REQUEST** THE INFORMATION WE MISSED - 1 POINT

WE **JUST DON'T WATCH** HOUR LONG WORKSHOPS WE MISSED - 0 POINTS

# INFORMAL SURVEY RESPONSES

“I have a year’s worth saved up”

**“I HAVE THE BEST OF INTENTIONS TO WATCH THEM”**

“I will watch at least some of them **eventually**”

**“I want to watch them; I mean I plan to”**

“No”

“It’s good to have them”

“I guess I might never watch them”

# Workshop Versus Lecture Versus Video

- **Workshop** suggests interactive learning activity
- Active participation versus passive
- Students emerge with something they've created

- **Lecture** suggests passive absorption of information
- **Are your workshops actually lectures?**
- Creating videos instead of workshop/lectures

- Creating **brief videos** in a series that connect & build
- Lecturing and demonstrating
- Recognize students' role as passive or active

# BEGIN WITH A VIDEO INSTEAD OF RECORDING A LECTURE

## ZOOMBRARIAN

- Answer reference questions with videos
- Personalized to student's topic
- Brief 10 minutes, **never over 20 minutes**
- **Get right to the point**

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*“A STEM e-class in action: A case study for asynchronous one-shot library instruction”*

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GROUP ONE



GROUP TWO



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GROUP THREE





## From Tomaszewski article

“The effect of traditional face-to-face synchronous sessions can be enhanced through asynchronous videos by helping students review and retrieve the information delivered with in-person instruction.”

“Suggestions for improvements from the in-person instructional sessions hinted at the introduction of videos such as ‘include videos’ and ‘Watch some videos to get a better understanding.’”

“Compared to in-person instruction, videos specifically provide students repeated access to the workshop (users can stop, pause, replay, rewind or fast-forward) that can be taken at their own pace, anytime, and anywhere.”

# IN-PERSON VERSUS VIDEO

- ▶ Technology issues
- ▶ Hybrid instruction fails
- ▶ Librarian can forget material
- ▶ Students at different levels
- ▶ One issue slows class down

- ▶ Students can pause, stop & replay
- ▶ Librarian can teach many at once
- ▶ Frees librarian time for other pursuits
- ▶ Use video to teach basics then offer more personal help
- ▶ Most students prefer to learn with video

Tomaszewski article:

“...the preference for asynchronous one-shot library workshops will only increase with incoming Gen Z students and beyond since videos have always been a commonly used resource for information and knowledge with this demographic cohort.”

- ▶ We no longer need to be in a room together to learn
- ▶ Most people prefer to be in control of their own learning
- ▶ Most people prefer to learn with brief videos created to teach
- ▶ Recordings of whole lectures or workshops go unwatched

# Discussion & Questions

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Videos replace librarians?  
Count video hits as stats?  
Workshop success stories?  
Workshop alternatives?



Workshop Alternatives:  
Interactive tutorials  
Small group research circles

THANK YOU!!