Approaches for Course Introductions

Why record a course introduction?
- Provide overview of course content
- Provide overview of major assignments
- Provide details on how to get started and be successful in the course
- Engagement for students
- Set the tone for your course
- Build rapport
- Can allow students to determine if this is the right class for them

What should a course introduction include?
- **Brief overview** of course content
- **Course goals** -- What should students expect to get out of this course?
- Any important **course information** from the syllabus (course materials, important grading policies)
- Where to find important course **documents** (syllabus, rubrics)
- **Overview of assignments**
- **Details** on how to get started in the course

What are some best practices when recording?
- **Camera** should be level with head and shoulders
- **Microphone** should be at a close and comfortable distance
- **Light** should be in front of you; avoid being in front of windows
- If using a phone, **avoid vertical video** and **record horizontally**