What to include:

- Try to write out a script for yourself so you know what you are going to say
- Introduce yourself, share your degree and current career/job
- Videos should be no longer than 30 sec
- Please start your video with some kind of greeting. Something like: "Hello, new AGNR alumnii!" or "Hi, AGNR Class of 2020!" etc.
- Please end your video with a congratulation of sorts
- Be as creative as you like!
- For when you are on camera: pick a quality background that won't be distracting to people who watch the video. Simple backgrounds are better, and be sure to consider color and lighting.
- Accuracy: if you refer to AGNR, please make sure to use our proper name, the College of Agriculture & Natural Resources. If you refer to your specific area of study or department, please make sure to check that you are saying the name correctly. For example: Animal & Avian Sciences. For a list of department names: https://agnr.umd.edu/academics/programs-study
- Please submit your video to us as an mp4 or mov file

Tips for Recording:

- If you are using a webcam, we highly recommend using Zoom to make your recording
- If recording on a smartphone: keep the camera stable, don't backlight, avoid zooming, compose your shots.
  More helpful tips: https://umundze.com/8-tips-for-shooting-better-video-with-your-smartphone/ (it’s not required for the purposes of this video to film horizontally)
- Sound: check your sound before you start recording to make sure your volume is at an efficient level. You can also do a brief sample recording first and play it back. You don’t want to be too loud or too soft. The goal should be for you to be able to playback your recording and not have to turn the volume up to full blast in order for it to be heard. You should be able to hear your recording clearly with the volume halfway up. Also, make sure to do your best to minimize external sounds in the background that may be distracting to viewers.
- Lighting: Don’t backlight yourself. Keep the lighting source above or in front of the camera.