Adding video to your online course content: Get it ‘Copyright’

With the abrupt transition to online teaching, instructors are searching for ways to incorporate video content into their classes. How can one be sure that videos posted online come from legitimate and stable sources?

1. Look at who uploaded the video. Is it from a trustworthy source such as a public television affiliate or the organization that produced the video?

On YouTube, you can also “verify” a user's identity.

2. Check for a video listed in Temple University’s LibrarySearch. The library has licensed, copyright-cleared access to thousands of streaming videos, all discoverable from a single search box. Use the filters for Availability > Online and Resource Type > Video to find streaming titles.

See this Research Guide on Streaming Video from the library for more information.

3. If you need additional help vetting video sources or locating a specific title, contact your library Subject Specialist or the Media Services Librarian for assistance. While not all titles are available for licensing, the library will research specific titles and—where these are unavailable—suggest possible alternatives.