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When trying to figure out what to do for a project for my senior capstone I struggled to find something that would capture my interests in communication and journalism as well as something that would capture the attention of an audience while delivering information. I am a senior at Sacred Heart University and am a Media Arts major with a concentration in journalism and minors in Sports Media, Journalism and English. I am working with another student that is in my Senior Project 1 & 2 class, Marguerite Girandola. For this project we are creating a series of episodes where individuals around the campus of Sacred Heart University are asked 63 questions on what they like, what they dislike, and also what they know. The episodes will be single shot and will interview different people varying from staff, to the president, to students around campus. With each video there will also be a description provided that will discuss the individual that is being interviewed. Marguerite and I have chosen to interview individuals that play a pivotal role in the Sacred Heart community whether that be student athletes, student leaders, and also faculty.

For this project we are doing a spinoff of Vogue’s 73 Questions. These questions that are asked throughout this single shot video are supposed to be candid and spontaneous, allowing the viewer to get to know the person being interviewed better. These videos are done as an interview and are shot in one take. Along with creating these videos we have also created a website to attach our work. These videos will allow the viewers to get to know the person being interviewed on a more personal level as we will ask them questions that are somewhat out of the ordinary and are fun and quirky. These questions will not just be about Sacred Heart but will be about the person as well and only requires a one to two-word response. The website that our videos can be found out is: https://ncroteau14.wixsite.com/63questions.
This assignment allows individuals to see the answers to questions that normally these individuals would not be asked. The challenge to this project is that the video is done in one take. Due to this, if there are any mistakes the video needs to be redone in order to achieve the answer. Also, the questions must be answered in one to two words. The questions are asked in an accelerated way so that the question and response is immediate with no time to hesitate and think over the answer. More videos will be added that will better show not only our project but the individuals we are interviewing as well.