Social media tools & resources

Below is a compilation of (mostly free) social media tools and resources to help you manage your social media accounts and enhance the content you share with stakeholders online.

Social media strategy, management, monitoring

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UNL social media plan template; social media guidelines and best practices https://ucomm.unl.edu/10StepSocialMediaTemplate_20161005.pdf https://ucomm.unl.edu/brand/social-media

Followerwonk

Twitter analytics - Search bios, track/sort followers, compare users https://followerwonk.com/

Hashtagify

Identify popular and trending hashtags in your subject https://hashtagify.me/

Buffer

Scheduling & collaborating on social media content https://buffer.com/

Hootsuite

Scheduling & collaborating on social media content https://www.hootsuite.com/

Later

Schedule posts on Instagram https://later.com/

Crowdfire

Discover and schedule content, and manage all your accounts https://www.crowdfireapp.com/

Answer the Public

Discover what people are talking about online https://answerthepublic.com/



Tools to create engaging visuals

Canva

https://www.canva.com/

Story Swag

https://apps.apple.com/us/app/story-swag-moving-text/id1450470539

BeFunky

https://www.befunky.com/

Adobe Spark

https://spark.adobe.com/

Social media size guide for 2021

https://www.socialmediatoday.com/news/social-media-size-guide-update-2021-infographic/595752/

Landscape - Free social images resizer

https://sproutsocial.com/landscape/

Life Lapse – Stop-motion animation creator

https://apps.apple.com/us/app/life-lapse-stop-motion-maker/id1281464378

GIF generators

https://giphy.com/create/gifmaker

https://apps.apple.com/us/app/giflab-gif-maker-editor-share-to-ig/id975415947

Free stock photography

**Deeper Learning – American Education: Image Library of Teachers and Students in Action https://deeperlearning4all.org/images/#images

Pexels

https://www.pexels.com/

Unsplash

https://unsplash.com/

Negative Space

https://negativespace.co/

Burst

https://burst.shopify.com/



Public Domain Pictures

https://www.publicdomainpictures.net/en/

Video tools

Loom - Record video messages of your screen, cam or both

https://www.loom.com/education

PowerPoint – How to record your screen

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZMhHtrnd27k

Other

How to name your project – tips and inspiration

https://businessnamegenerator.com/project-name-generator/

https://www.articulatemarketing.com/blog/choose-a-great-company-name

https://www.igorinternational.com/process/brand-naming-expert.php

Shorten links

https://go.unl.edu/

https://bitly.com/

https://tinyurl.com/app

How to give good press interviews

https://www.articulatemarketing.com/blog/how-to-give-a-good-interview

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- Computer, technology and web support
- Database development
- Website design and interactive learning modules
- Articles, press releases and social media promotion
- Videos, photography, animation, graphics and other materials for print and web

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