

MedVu 2

The School of Medicine uses a video capture system that is referred to as medvu2. The system allows students to capture video from ceiling-mounted cameras and view the content later at their computer. Video capture session may occur as part of a teaching session (such as a group Communication Skills session) or as self-practice where a student records an example of competence of a particular skill.

Components of the system

Milestone

Milestone is the name given to the part of the video capture system which is used to control the cameras and record video and audio from them. Milestone is a desktop application that is installed on computers throughout the School of Medicine. The application is designed to allow a student to control the camera directly above them but not view or control any other camera. Camera position is adjusted using Milestone and the student can initiate a new recording by typing their ID into the system.

For Communication Skills teaching the member of staff controls the milestone recordings.

For Clinical skills the students use Milestone to record their videos.

MedVu2 - your video portfolio

Once a video has been recorded using Milestone, it will be processed and made available for students to view via their MedVu portfolio. The processing can take some time, especially in busy periods, but the video is often available within an hour or two of recording.

Videos that were made using a student's individual ID (email ID) will be available on the main page.

Students can view videos, make bookmarks and organise groups of videos into playlists. Students can also delete old videos to maintain their personal library.

Creating a video for your MedVu portfolio

1. To record a video

Log on to Milestone on one of the clinical skills touchscreens

Students can access Milestone by logging into the touchscreens located in the Medical Resource Centre or Clinical Skills rooms. To open milestone students should double-click on the Milestone desktop icon.

Use your University ID as your ID on the video-capture screens

Refer to the Handbook section regarding access times to the Medical Resource Centre for more information.

2. To view your video

Go to MedVu2 [medvu2.st-andrews.ac.uk] or link directly from the Galen footer links

Misuse

Students are reminded that they have signed an agreement with the School of Medicine that refers generally to their use of School systems and facilities and specifically to the production and distribution of recorded media. Using the system for any purpose other than the completion of a curriculum based task is not allowed.

Best practice

At times where the Medical Resource Centre is busy, students are asked to be aware of noise levels as others may also be recording video.

As with any data, students are required to keep their video library organised. This includes giving videos meaningful titles, housekeeping and deleting old videos and using playlists to manage groups of videos.

OSCE

The video capture system is used to record OSCE exams. This practice is to ensure consistency in the examinations and is designed to be unobtrusive. Students will not be given access to OSCE recordings.

Privacy and security

The School of Medicine takes privacy and security of videos very seriously. Access to the video capture system is strictly limited and measures are taken to ensure that students cannot gain access to cameras in remote locations and cannot gain access to copies of videos that they were not involved in.

Only a small number of administrators and teaching staff have unrestricted access to the system and administrators take steps during sensitive times to deactivate cameras and microphones to maintain the privacy of people carrying out sensitive examinations or confidential conversations.

Retention

Videos recorded by students and OSCE videos will be deleted after the student has completed their studies.

Copies of videos

Students are not permitted to own copies of the videos recorded. The system is designed to stream videos on-demand and not allow students to download videos.