## #AcademicTwitter Growing Your Visibility (and That of Your Research)

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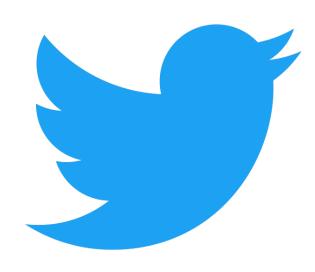
Social Media: How or CAN you get eyeballs on your content?

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#### Twitter



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- I am a proponent of using Twitter for engagement
- Follow me on Twitter @Wie\_Rockstar
- "It's exceptionally versatile, mobile-friendly, and it offers everything you need from a social media channel" (source: 5 Tips for Social Media Engagement)
- Download this PowerPoint and access resources at: http://bit.ly/WieTwitter





# If you want to use social media effectively, you have to work at it - **5 Tips**

- 1. Do your research
- 2. Develop your own style
- 3. Post consistently
- 4. Add richness
- 5. Interact and Engage





#### 1. Do Your Research (a)

- Understand the communities you want to engage with
- Who do you want to see you and your posts/content?
- Use a social media dashboard like TweetDeck or Hootsuite to create columns of relevant search terms, user profiles, and segmented lists
  - What are your communities talking about?
  - What do they want to know more about?
  - How can you inject yourself into the conversation?





#### 1. Do Your Research (b)

- Find a Twitter Role Model
- Analyze what they're doing



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- Look at:
  - The content they post
  - Who they follow
  - Who's following them
  - How often they post
  - What kind of headlines they use in their posts
  - Their most popular posts





#### 2. Develop Your Own Style

Develop your style guide that includes the:

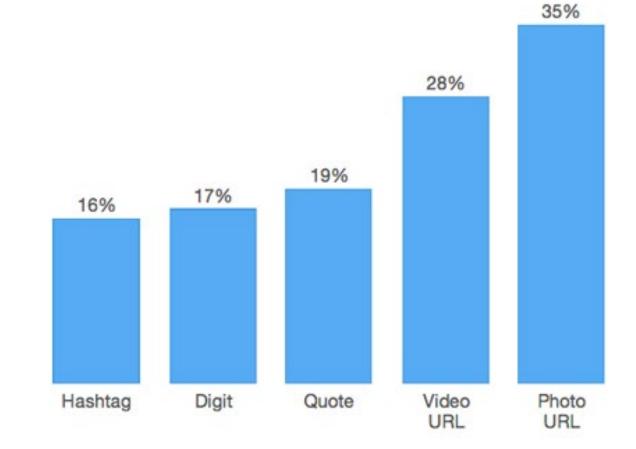
- Mission Statement: Why are you on social media? What do you want to accomplish?
- Audience/Persona Summary: Describe your core audience.
   Who are you writing for?
- Voice: Describe what your social brand voice should sound like (casual, serious, professional, irreverent, etc.).
- Tone: Describe your social tone (helpful, funny, authoritative, etc.)





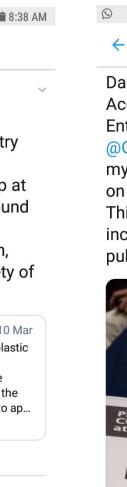
### 3. Enrich Your Posts (a)

- Each Tweet provides an opportunity to strengthen your identity and the relationship with your followers
  - Adding a hashtag, links, photo, or video to a Tweet makes it richer





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### 3. Enrich Your Posts (b)

- Use keywords and hashtags
- Leverage the search feature



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- Include keywords and phrases in your tweets and profile to make you and your content more searchable.
- Hashtags are one of the best ways to expand your reach on social media and get more eyes on your tweets
  - Use popular hashtags
- Examples: #AcademicTwitter #ScholarSunday

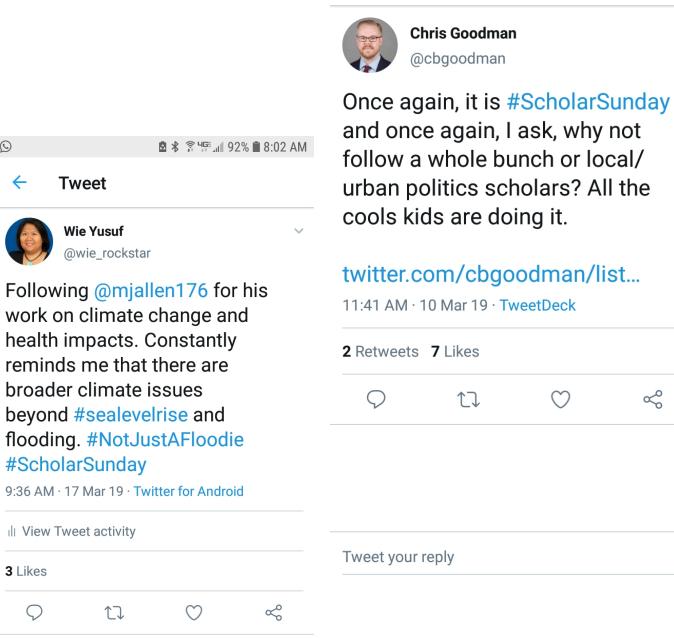


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#### 4. Post Consistently (a)

- Don't get lost in the crowd!
  - 326 million monthly active users in Q3 2018
  - The median user tweets twice a month, but a small group of extremely active Twitter users posts with much greater regularity.
  - The 10% most active users are responsible for 80% of all tweets (source: Sizing Up Twitter Users)

#### Develop a routine posting schedule and be consistent

#### Think about...

- How often do you plan to publish?
- What type of content do you plan to publish?



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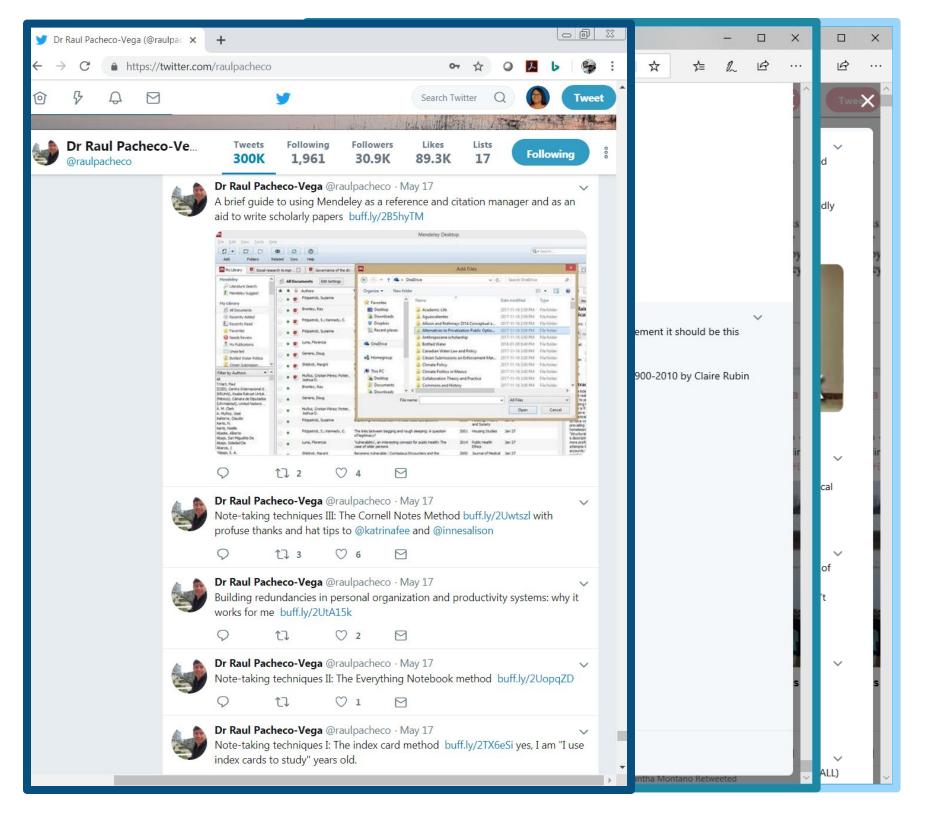




### 4. Post Consistently (b)

#### **Examples**

- @SamLMontano one book a day for the year to create list of disaster book recommendations
- @raulpacheco regular posts about academic writing and links to his blog





#### 5. Interact and Engage (a)

- Most social media streams are filled with broadcast posts (a headline/message with a link to an article or just text)
- Don't be that person who only shares links all day. The purpose of social media is to be social and engage with other users. That means interacting/engaging on a regular basis.
- Create two-way posts that encourage conversation and communication (Be social with social media)
- What exactly does that mean?
  - Replying to other peoples' posts even if it doesn't @mention you
  - Retweeting
  - Liking posts
  - Adding people to Twitter lists
  - Includes @mentions of other users





## 5. Interact and Engage (b)

Tweet

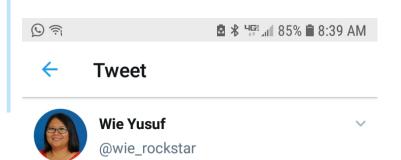


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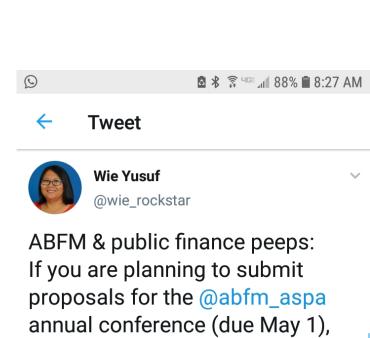
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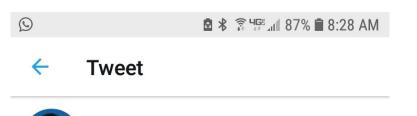
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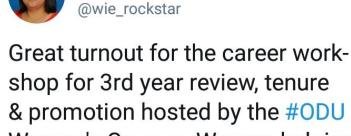
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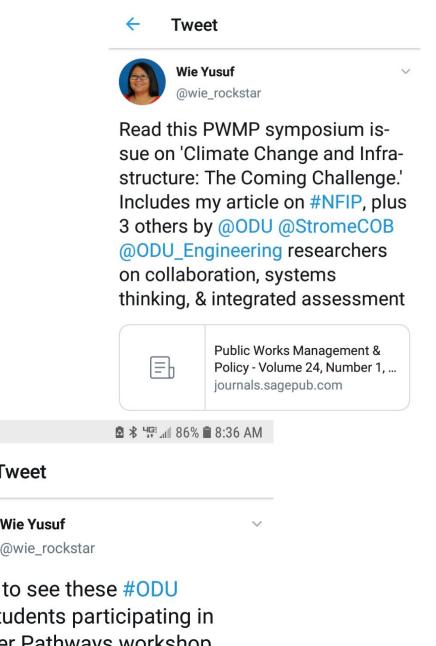
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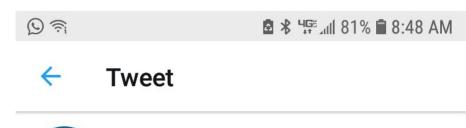
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