Speaker Training

& tips for presenting online







Host start/stop the Meeting or Webinar

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Co-Host ability to assist host with special rights (mute, unmute audience, control participants)

Panelist speak, share screen, use chat (if enabled)

Participant

Zoom Meeting: unmute, camera, chat, raise hand Zoom Webinar: raise hand, chat/Q&A if available

Bandwidth



Most important: Upload Speed for

- Audio
- Video
- Screen sharing



Minimum Download speed: 4+ Mbps Minimum Upload speed: 2+ Mbps

Plug in: Use Ethernet cable connection



FAST

Microphone



Select a Microphone

✓ Same as System

Built-in Microphone (Internal Microphone)

Select a Speaker

Same as System

Built-in Output (Headphones)

Test Speaker & Microphone... Leave Computer Audio

Audio Settings...



Mute

Use the microphone button to:

- Mute/unmute yourself
- Select a microphone source
- Select a speaker source

Attendee Audio





Zoom Webinar

• Attendees are automatically muted

Zoom Meetings

- Mute all
- Choose if you want to allow attendees to unmute themselves
- Lock the meeting

Camera Control



Select a Camera

✓ FaceTime HD Camera

Choose Virtual Background...

Video Settings...



- Enable your device's webcam
- Select a virtual background
- Pro tip: Select Touch Up My
 Appearance in Video Settings

Tip: use video to recreate the personal, face-to-face connection typically enjoyed at conferences

Camera Position





Camera at eye level to 'look' at your audience (not down or up)

- Laptop stand (e.g. Roost on Amazon)
- Books
- Boxes

Sit a bit further away from your screen than normally, ideally so your arms can be seen and you can use gestures.

Look at the camera to look at your audience.

Camera Direction





Don't have the camera face a bright light source

Ensure your face is well lit

Background





Virtual Background





Video > Choose a Virtual Background

Alternatively apply a virtual background (avoid distracting motion backgrounds)

Your organizer may provide you with a specific background image to use

Best virtual backgrounds

https://www.techrepublic.com/article/the-best-virtual-backgro unds-to-use-on-zoom-for-your-next-business-meeting/

Screen Share





Click the green arrow to share your screen including presentations, abstracts, and even videos

Do not change existing screen sharing settings so only hosts, co-hosts, or panelists are allowed to share

Playing Videos while Sharing





To share a video with audio, click the **Share computer sound** box in the lower-left corner of the screen sharing selection window

Share computer sound Optimize Screen Share for Video Clip



Common Technical Problems





Trouble with your webcam, microphone, or audio not working?

- Check to make sure the microphone/video/speaker buttons are toggled
- Close other applications that may be using your microphone, camera, or speakers
- Review Zoom's <u>Troubleshooting</u> tips for additional solutions



What Not to Do!

- Don't overuse animations/effects or overcrowd the PowerPoint slide presentation. You want your audience to focus on the content of your presentation and on you as the deliverer.
- Limit your points to 3 to 5 per slide so that there is sufficient white space.
- Use your slides to illustrate your speech, not to replace your handouts.
- Use bulleted points effectively. Limit your bullets to only the main points.
- Do not read from the slides. Use your notes or the slides to jar your memory. Practice your presentation to be comfort with the presentation's delivery.
- Keep a uniformed slide style. Repeat the same font. background and bullets.
- Keep titles and text consistent.
- Use Bold, Italics and Colors only for emphasis.
- Always include a conclusion slide to restate your main points.





- Either speak freely or act out your script - your voice creates engagement
- *Try it: Record yourself giving your* presentation and then listen to it that's what your audience is going to experience





Being Too Slow on Slides

- Max 1 min per slide to avoid losing attention span
- Pick up the pace
- Spread content over more slides
- Graphics instead of text



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Using Small Fonts

- Impossible to read for participants on mobile devices
- Recommended font sizes 18+
- Try it: PDF your presentation and pull up the PDF on your phone can you read the text?





Not Knowing the Tech

- Practice with the technology in advance <u>https://zoom.us/test</u>
- Know the features







Forgetting the Audience

- Involve the audience via chat
- Respond to the tough questions
- In smaller meetings, ask participants to raise their hands and unmute them to speak to start a conversation (Host or Co-Host can unmute **Participants**)





Keeping Your Door Open

No, Tinker, out!



Displaying Notifications

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Close all other running applications on your computer

Turn off all notifications (on your computer, look for Notification Center or a Do not disturb option)

How to set Do Not Disturb on Mac





Exceeding Your Time

Stick to your allotted time

Webinars and Meetings must end on time