

# Recording Presentations using Zoom

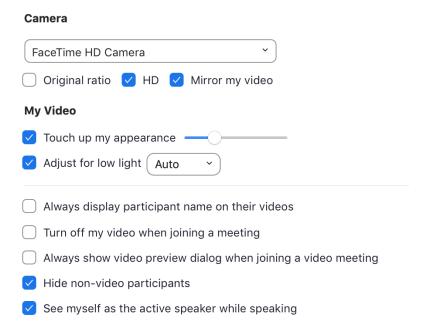
Many applications can be used to record video, but Zoom offers a simple solution that provides solid results. The settings described in this document are specific to Zoom, although the basic guidance should work for any app you choose.

## 1. Zoom Settings

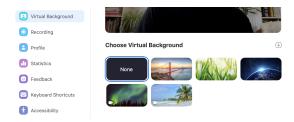
A. Click the ^ icon to the right of the Start Video button on the toolbar at the bottom of the screen, and select "Video Settings."



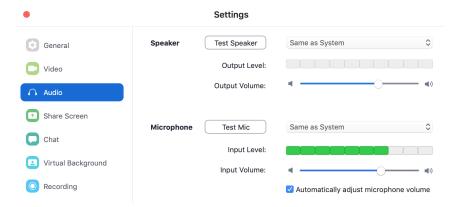
B. For best results, use the following options:



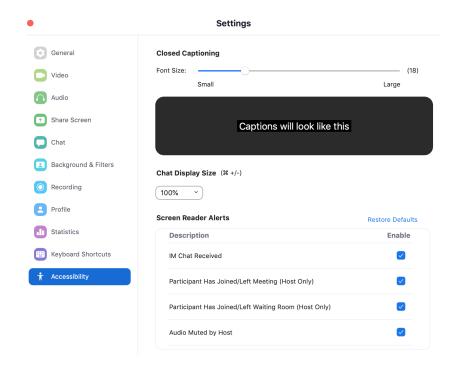
C. Click the "Virtual Background" link in the left-hand column in the Settings dashboard.Choose "None" under the options.



- D. Click the "Audio" link in the left-hand column.
  - 1. Check that your input source is correct. If possible, use a clip-on lavalier microphone, headset, or external USB mic for the clearest recordings.
  - 2. Test your Input Level to ensure a clear, loud signal without clipping.
    - Try clapping your hands in front of the mic to test the level.
    - The Input Level bar should max out about 70-80%



E. Click the "Accessibility" link in the left-hand column to adjust size for automated captions.

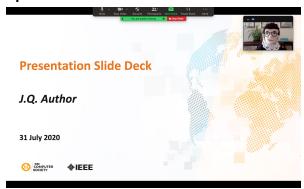




# 2. Select Your Approach

Choose whether to record yourself speaking so that the audience sees you as a frame-in-frame thumbnail or to record just the slide deck with a voiceover.

Option 1 - With Video



Option 2 - No Video



#### Location

Whichever approach you choose, **be sure that the room in which you record is quiet.** Ideally, it should be closed to other people, pets, etc.

If you decide to film yourself, take a moment to set up the room so that:

- The background is appealing.
  - Avoid cluttered locations and empty walls.
  - Perhaps opt for something like a bookcase, a wall with a few pictures, or a plant.
- A good light source is facing you, so that your face is well lit.
  - A window or a lamp generally works well.
  - Avoid sitting with a light source behind you, as that puts your face in shadow.
- The webcam should be at about eye level.
  - Try putting your laptop on a box or stack of books to raise the camera if needed.
- Sit so that you're framed within the screen with just a little space between the top of your head and the top of the screen. Something like this:



### 3. Starting the Talk

• Click the Start Video button if you want to go with Option 1.



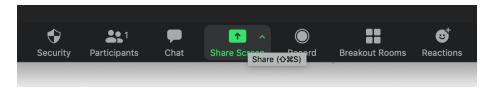
• Select Speaker View (usually near the top of the screen).



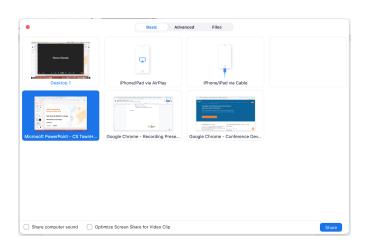
- Be sure the <u>Participants</u> list and <u>Chat</u> window are both closed. Click on those buttons in the toolbar if they're open.
- Click Full Screen view.



• With your presentation file open, click the **Share Screen** button in the toolbar.



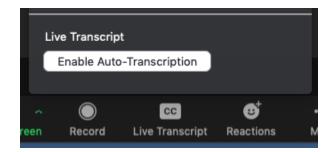
 Select the application to share. (For example, Acrobat Reader or PowerPoint.)



Note: To read the presenter notes, you'll need a second monitor, or else print out the text to read for the voiceover track. If you print them, remember that the mic will capture the sound of rustling paper.

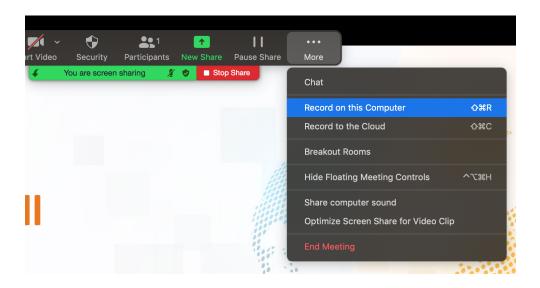


 If enabled on your account, you can turn on automated captioning by clicking the Live Transcript button and selecting Enable Auto-Transcription.

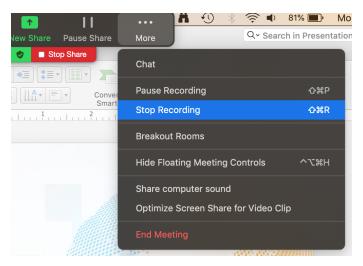


#### Recording

When ready to begin, click the ... More button in the toolbar and select "Record on this Computer."



It's best to hit Record after you have everything in place, so that you can start the presentation within a few seconds.



Once you're done, click the ... **More** button in the toolbar and choose "Stop Recording."

The file will be saved to your computer after you click the End Meeting button.

