

## VIDEO CONFERENCING BEST PRACTICES: DO's AND DON'Ts

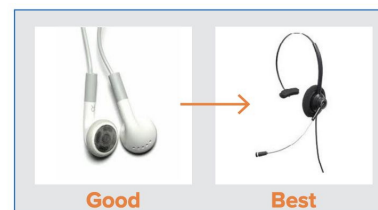
We want to ensure you have a great experience.

### BEFORE THE MEETING

- ✓ **DO** join classes on time. Don't get caught fumbling your way into the class.
- ✓ **DO** use your real name to facilitate communication.
- ✓ **DO** set up your devices prior to the meeting (speakers, microphone, and camera).
- ✓ **DO** test your connection by going to <https://zoom.us/test>.
- ✓ **DO** minimize distractions. Close other computer programs and browser tabs. Be in a quiet place.
- ✓ **DO** consider your impression. Dress appropriately and select a suitable background.  
Ensure you have good camera angle and adequate lighting.

### DURING THE MEETING

- ✓ **DO** use wired internet (if available) instead of wireless for best connection.
- ✓ **DO** use headsets or earphones to avoid echo. *Help a friend* as well! If you hear your own voice echoing, it's not you, it may be other attendees. Kindly inform them or the professor to mute their mic when not speaking to have a smooth Zoom experience.
- ✓ **DO** mute yourself when not speaking. Coughs and keyboard clicks are louder than you think.
- DO** engage with your camera when possible. Use the chat for questions and comments. Raise your hand to ask questions or share insights. Utilize Zoom's reaction buttons.
- ✗ **DON'T** introduce multiple audio sources into your call. There is no need to dial in by phone too, if you have a mic and speaker on your computer.
- ✗ **DON'T** use external speakers. They can cause echo.
- ✗ **DON'T** use the speakerphone on mobile devices. Not all devices have built-in echo cancellation. It can result in a poor audio experience.



### KEYBOARD SHORTCUTS



Scan the code to learn about Zoom's keyboard shortcuts

### AFTER THE MEETING

- ✓ **DO** provide constructive feedback to improve the class.
- ✓ **DO** communicate with the professor and the Technology Services team for any concerns or questions.  
Do report any disruptions or unwanted behavior.
- ✓ **DO** respect GSOT's and the professor's recording and downloading policies.
- ✗ **DON'T** share meetings links and passwords to people outside of GSOT.

### GETTING HELP:

- ✓ Visit [support.zoom.us](https://support.zoom.us) for training videos, guides, and FAQ. Contact
- ✓ Grace Technology Services Support at [support@gsot.edu](mailto:support@gsot.edu).