Tutorials for Enhanced Zoom Setup

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Part one (Mac and PC): Zoom Tweaks

Open Zoom



Click the Home tab in the icons at the top of Zoom



Click the gear icon in the upper right-hand corner



Click on the audio tab















◆ In the middle of the screen, make sure that "Automatically adjust volume" is checked

Volume:
Automatically adjust volume

In the lower right side of the screen, click on the advanced button to reveal a few more settings.

Advanced

- Change the following settings:
 - Show in-meeting option to "Enable Original Sound" from microphone Check
 - Suppress Persistent Background Noise Disable
 - Suppress Intermittent Background Noise Disable
 - Echo cancellation

Auto

Go back to the general settings tab and click "View More Settings" in the lower middle of the screen.



- > This will open a browser with several more settings.
- Scroll down about 2/3's of the way until you find a setting called: "Allow users to select original sound in their client settings" Check

Part 2 (Mac and PC): Multi-camera setup (OBS Studio)

- Plug in and install your Web Cameras
- Download and install OBS Studio at
 - https://obsproject.com/download
- **Solution** Download and install VirtualCam plugin for OBS Studio.
 - > For Mac use:
 - <u>https://github.com/johnboiles/obs-mac-virtualcam/releases</u>
 - Under the tab called Assets 3 download and install the file called obs-macvirtualcam-3ca8f62-v1.2.0.pkg

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- > For PC use:
 - https://github.com/Fenrirthviti/obs-virtual-cam/releases
 - Under the tab called Assets 4 download and install the file called obs-virtualcam-2.0.5-Windows-installer.exe
- → Assets 4

♦ obs-virtualcam-2.0.5-Windows-installer.exe	844 KB
OBS-Virtualcam-2.0.5-Windows.zip	879 KB
Source code (zip)	
Source code (tar.gz)	

*You do not have to manually install VirtualCam unless your Mac/PC needs to run an older version of OBS. All new versions of OBS have VirtualCam built in automatically.

Open OBS Studio



Find Sources Box





Rename camera if preferred and click OK



- Click properties of the new Video Capture Device
- Select webcam of your choice under devices tab



- Activate it
- Web camera view will appear on the OBS Screen as a red box (when you highlight your devices name in the sources box.
- ✤ While it is highlighted red, you drag the corners to your preference.
- ***** Repeat this process to add additional cameras.

- How do we use this as our camera in Zoom?
 - In OBS Studio click Tools > VirtualCam



> Click Start

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> On Windows, check AutoStart. On Mac, you must manually click start each session.

*Make sure to plug in your cameras and/or USB hub into the same USB slots each session!

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Click on the video tab

Θ	General	
	Video	
	Audio	
€	Share Screen	
0	Chat	
	Virtual Background	
0	Recording	
8	Profile	
	Statistics	
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t	Accessibility	
> Under Camera, select OBS-Camera.		



✤ Now your Zoom camera should be your new multi-camera setup

Part 4 (Both Mac and PC): Audio Routing (for clarity)

- To attain clarity in online piano lessons, you need to separate audio from your voice and the piano.
- If using a Digital Piano, you can greatly enhance audio for you and your students by using an Audio Interface.
 - > You can purchase a **Behringer U-Phoria UM2 USB Audio Interface** for around \$48.
 - > Perfect Audio Interface for students on a budget with a Digital Piano.
 - Use a 1/4" cable to connect your digital piano to the Audio Interface (which connects to your Mac or PC)
- If using an upright piano, place mic behind the piano toward the center, or mounted about a foot above the piano.
- If using grand pianos, place mic pointed into the bow of the piano about a foot off the strings (using a boom stand)

Part 4 (Mac): Audio Routing

- For your voice, USB Microphones are easiest to setup for Macs as they have much less delay than on PC. These include:
 - Blue Yeti USB
 - > AT2020 USB
- If using a Digital Piano, and you have decided to purchase an audio interface such as the Behringer U-Phoria UM2, you can either use your built-in microphone for your voice or purchase a XLR microphone such as a Behringer C1 or an Audio-Technica AT2020 for an optional upgrade in voice quality.
- ✤ To use your keyboard audio and your microphones at the same time, do the following:
 - Search for and open Audio/Midi Devices in Spotlight Search
 - Click + sign
 - Create Aggregate Device
 - Under the column for use, check the box next to your microphone that you are using for your voice
 - E.g. Built-in Microphone, your USB Microphone, or your Audio Interface (Behringer U-Phoria UM2 or Focusrite Scarlett 2i4)
 - Also, check the box next to your Audio Interface or the USB microphone that you are using for your *piano*
 - E.g. Behringer U-Phoria UM2 or the Blue Yeti USB
 - Under clock source, select your Audio interface, or internal microphone if you do not have an audio interface.
 - Lastly command click on Aggregate Device and click the option for "Use this Device for Sound Output" and "Use this device for sound output."
 - > In Zoom, open audio settings.

- > Under microphone, select the Aggregate device under Microphone.
- Under speaker, select your Audio Interface or internal speakers if you do not have an audio interface.
- The audio from both your keyboard and your voice should now be completely clear in Zoom.
- > Mac will automatically adjust settings when your remove your peripherals.

***** You need an audio router if:

- using your internal microphone and an Audio Interface (for students who have not purchased an external mic) *this option is much more complicated than simply buying an external mic.
- On Macs use BlackHole as your audio router (Soundflower is now outdated)
 - Download and install BlackHole 16ch
 - <u>https://existential.audio/blackhole/</u>
 - Search for Audio/Midi Devices in Spotlight Search
 - Click + sign
 - Create Aggregate Device
 - Under the use column, select Built-in Microphone, your Audio Interface and BlackHole 16ch IN THAT ORDER.
 - Click + sign
 - > Create Multi-Output Device
 - > Under the use column, select your Audio Interface and BlackHole 16ch
 - > Open GarageBand or Ableton Lite (which comes with Focusrite Audio Interfaces)
 - > Select Aggregate Device Input 1 as your Input Device
 - > Select BlackHole 16ch as your Output Device.
 - > In Zoom, open audio settings.
 - > Select either Built-in Output, or your Audio Interface as your Speaker
 - Select BlackHole 16ch (BlackHole 16ch) as your microphone.
 - > These steps are also included on BlackHole's website at the following link:
 - <u>http://existential.audio/blackhole/support/#system</u>

Part 4 (PC): Audio Routing

- On PC, you will need an audio router
- ✤ On PC, use VoiceMeeter as your audio router
 - Download and install VoiceMeeter and VirtualCables
 - https://vb-audio.com/Voicemeeter/
 - https://vb-audio.com/Cable/VirtualCables.html
 - Search for Sound Settings in the toolbar
 - Select VoiceMeeter as playback device
 - > Open VoiceMeeter
 - > Select Hardware input as your Audio Interface
 - E.g. Focusrite Scarlett 2i4
 - Select Virtual Input as VB-Audio VoiceMeeter VAIO
 - > Under Hardware Out A1 Select WDM: Speakers
 - > Under Hardware Out A2 Select WDM: Focusrite USB (or your Audio Interface)
 - > In Zoom Audio Settings, select VoiceMeeter output as your Microphone.



Part 5 (PC and Mac):

- Virtual Studio Technology (VST's)
 - ▶ Virtual instruments to be played with a midi keyboard
- ► Free piano sound software (VST's)
 - ► Addictive Keys
 - ► Free with all Focusrite Audio Interfaces
 - Monastery Grand
 - https://www.meldaproduction.com/MonasteryGrand
- Paid piano sound software (VST's)
 - Synthology Ivory II American Concert D
 - sweetwater.com
 - Ravenscroft 275
 - https://www.vilabsaudio.com/Ravenscroft-By-VI-Labs