How to Set Up a Zoom Account or a Zoom Session

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A Basic Zoom account (free) has more

limitations than a Pro Zoom account.

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For details, go to https://zoom.us

left portion of the screen.

A. HOW TO CREATE A ZOOM ACCOUNT

- Open your web browser (Chrome, Firefox, etc.) and go to https://zoom.us
- 2. Click the **SIGN UP, IT'S FREE** orange button at the top right corner of your screen.
- 3. Enter your birthdate and click Continue.
- 4. Enter your email address and click Sign Up.
- 5. Open your email account and click to activate your new Zoom account.
- 6. Enter info on subsequent screens.

B. HOW TO USE YOUR ZOOM ACCOUNT TO SET UP AN ONLINE SESSION

- 1. Open your web browser and go to https://zoom.us
- 2. Click **Sign In** near the top right corner of your screen and enter account information.
- 3. Click **My Account** near the top right of the screen.
- 4. Click **Meetings** on the left side of the screen.
- 5. Click Schedule a New Meeting.
- 6. Enter the topic of the meeting.
- 7. Enter the date, time, and duration for the meeting.
- 8. Confirm that the time zone is set for your location.
- 9. Note: Most of the remaining options on this screen are optional and are discussed in an excellent YouTube video at https://tinyurl.com/y9exngh9
- 10. Click **Save** at the bottom when done.
- 11. Scroll down and click **Copy this Invitation** on the right side of the screen.
- 12. Click **Copy Meeting Invitation** at the bottom of the details about the invitation.
- 13. Open your email account and click in the body of a new email message.
- 14. Press CTRL+V (or CMD+V on an Apple) to paste this invitation into an email message.
- 15. Click **Send** (or similar wording) after completing other fields in the email message.

C. HOW TO START YOUR SCHEDULED ZOOM ONLINE SESSION

- 1. Repeat Steps B1 through B4 above.
- 2. Click on the topic name of the meeting.
- 3. Click Start This Meeting.

D. HOW TO MAKE CHANGES TO A SCHEDULED ZOOM ONLINE SESSION

- 1. Repeat Steps B1 through B4 above.
- 2. Click on the topic name of the meeting you want to change and follow directions on the screen.