

Learning Online with your Phone



- While you can do almost all the same things on the Zoom app as you can on a desktop computer, there are some differences. Before class, make sure to check out Zoom's page on the differences.
- Turn off banner notifications on your phone because these can be particularly distracting during a lecture. In fact, banner notifications might make you leave the lecture altogether.
- Avoid, when possible, walking around during the class. Before class, try to find a quiet environment with strong service or Wifi.
- When possible, avoid taking notes on your phone as you attend a Zoom lecture. Take notes on a computer or notepad to write down anything you need to remember.
- Alert your instructor that you will be on your phone before class. Instructors might use the chat function to share documents with the class, which might be difficult to access on a phone.
- Hosting on Zoom is more difficult on a phone. Consider letting someone else host if you are in a group study session or a breakout session.
- Make sure your battery is fully charged before class and keep an eye on your battery status throughout. In addition, you will want to keep an eye on your data plan if you're using it. If you are on campus using your phone, you can connect to the Wifi to avoid data charges. Speak to your carrier about whether or not they will remove data charges incurred during any period of remote learning.



**We are living through unprecedented times and it can be difficult.
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