

Zoom with Pelican Cove University

During the pandemic, many people have become familiar with Zoom, a video conferencing platform that provides high definition, interactive collaboration tools for communication. Almost all of PCU's Winter season courses are being conducted online using Zoom while the Pavilion and Harbor Club are closed as part of PC's coronavirus protocol. Zoom is a great tool for connecting us when we cannot be together in person.

You will receive a unique Zoom Meeting ID and link specific to each PCU course that you register to take.

If you are new to Zoom, you will need:

- A laptop or desktop computer (doesn't matter whether it's a PC or Mac)
- A tablet (again, doesn't matter whether it's an iPad or Samsung Galaxy)
- A smart phone (and again, doesn't matter if it's an iPhone or Android device)
- You can also participate in an audio version of a Zoom meeting using a telephone or speaker phone

Unless your computer, tablet, or smartphone is very old, they all will come with a built-in speaker, web camera, and microphone—all necessary to get the most out of a Zoom class or meeting.

To learn more about Zoom, visit the Zoom website. There are a number of [video tutorials](#) that you may find very helpful.

Getting Started:

- If you're new to Zoom, we strongly recommend that you give yourself 15 minutes+ before your first class to make sure your audio and video are working properly. You can join a test meeting (<https://zoom.us/test>) to familiarize yourself with Zoom. Consider taking one of the PCU Zoom orientation sessions.
- As a PCU participant, you do not need to have your own Zoom account to participate in a Zoom meeting/class.
- If you plan to use a tablet or smartphone, you will need to download the free and secure Zoom application from your application store. Or, you can wait and you will be prompted to download and install Zoom when you click a "join" link.
- The web browser client (what Zoom needs to work on your device) will download automatically when you start or join your first Zoom meeting. You can also go to zoom.us and manually download the Zoom app but it's not necessary.
- To join a meeting, start your Zoom application and click on the Zoom meeting link for your class.
- If you are enrolled in more than one class, you will have a different Zoom link for each class. You will use the same link to enter each class session.

- Please do not share Zoom links with anyone not registered for the course.

Zoom protocol and etiquette may vary from course to course. PCU instructors have been asked to provide course-specific information and instructions to students with regard to how and when to ask questions, make comments, whether to be muted when not talking, etc.

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