

What is Gather? Gather is a cool way to simulate moving around in a conference venue. You can join a conversation by walking up to a group of people, and once you are close enough, you can see and hear everyone in the group. As you walk away to join a different conversation, the video and sound from the old group gradually fades.

Instructions:

Go to: <https://gather.town/IFS50ReKfPx3xXnl/DIMERS>

The password is the same as the password for this zoom meeting.

You do not need to create an account.

We highly recommend using Chrome. Firefox may work as well. **Leave the zoom meeting once you enter Gather.**



Getting started:

1. **Change your name** by clicking on the gear icon in the menu on the bottom left.
2. Make sure your video and audio is on. I think this is the default, but if you are having issues, make sure the second icon in the menu is a green checkmark, and the camera icon and microphone icon do not have slashes through them.
3. **Move around using the arrow keys.** If someone is in your way, you can move through them by holding down the letter g at the same time as the arrow key. Fun fact: there's a whiteboard in the back of the room that appears to have the same trees as the chalkboard in Good Will Hunting.
4. To quickly return to the starting point, click on the gear icon and click "respawn."

Other features:

5. **Locate another participant** by going to “Participants” on the right side of the screen and click on their name. Then, click “locate.” This will give a path between you and that participant that you can follow.
6. **Change your interaction distance** by clicking the third icon in the menu on the bottom left. Reducing your interaction distance can be useful if you are hearing too many conversations from different groups.
7. There is both a local chat and a global chat on the bottom right. The local chat can only be seen by people nearby, whereas the global chat can be seen by anyone in the room.
8. Change your character and outfit by clicking on the last icon (the person) in the menu on the bottom left.