# How to Plan a Virtual Hybrid Meeting & Event at Georgia Tech

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# **Fully Remote Events**

#### Which app should you use?

- 1. Type and size of audience
- 2. Access for Presenters
- 3. Attendee views and Functionalities

# I Went Through It So You Don't have To

- ALWAYS do a run-through around the same time of day the event will be held
- Disconnect from a VPN and preferably connect through ethernet
- Have a backup online
- Check and triple check the link you send out to the public



When planning an event, what do you look for in event spaces?

- Capacity (will the space accommodate the number of participants in the event?)
- Facilities (Restrooms, Food Serving Area, Storage, Accessibility, Loading Dock, etc.)
- Location on campus (easy to find and parking)
- Installed Technology in the event space (will it meet the needs of the events?)

#### **Technical Capabilities of On-Campus Spaces**

https://specialevents.gatech.edu/resources/event-spaces/campus

- Cost-recovery spaces
  - GLC <a href="https://pe.gatech.edu/global-learning-center">https://pe.gatech.edu/global-learning-center</a>
  - Campus Commons (Exhibition Hall) <a href="https://studentcenter.gatech.edu/event-services">https://studentcenter.gatech.edu/event-services</a>
  - Student Success Center <a href="https://ssc.gatech.edu/">https://ssc.gatech.edu/</a>
  - Wardlaw (Gordy Room)
- Departmentally Owned Spaces (Reservation via Department)
  - EBB 1005
  - Nanotech Seminar Rooms 1116, 1117 and 1118
  - Library Spaces: Contact event@library.edu or Kimberly at kgolerstubbs3@gatech.edu
  - Dalney
  - CODA Atrium (9th Floor)



#### **Technical Capabilities of On-Campus Spaces**

- Academic Space with Control Booths: Class Schedule Takes Priority
  - Clough 144 or 152
  - Architecture 123
  - College of Business 100
- Academic Spaces with self-service capabilities: Class Schedule Takes
  Priority
  - Kendeda 152
  - IC 103
  - MS&E G11
  - ES&T 1255
  - ES&T 1205



Do you Budget for an event? If so, what does your budget cover?

- Room Booking
- Food Services
- Facilities Custodial Services
- Parking
- Event Operators
- Technical Support Staff



What factors made you return to the same space?

What factors made you not want to utilize an event space again?



# Hybrid is the New Norm

Remote Working Population

Tools + Bandwidth vastly improving

Integrated technology (nearly) everywhere

**Setting Expectations with Customers is Key!** 



### Lessons Learned, Best Practices

#### **Role Dependent**

- Moderator, Presenter, Attendee, Technician

#### **Audio**

- Wired when possible

#### **Network**

- -Private/Robust
- -No VPN

#### **Behavioral**

- Book appropriate spaces
- Test in advance with your customer



### **Discussion**

 How do you see hybrid culture benefitting, detracting from your department's goals?

What other challenges have you encountered?



# Thank you!

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