

# Getting Started with Wimba Live Classroom

This guide is designed to provide faculty with the resources to get started to use Wimba Live Classroom.

## Introduction

Wimba is a real-time virtual classroom environment designed for distance education and collaboration. This fully featured live virtual classroom supports audio, video, application sharing, content display, and whiteboarding. It enables instructors to achieve a high level of interaction with their online students. Faculty can use this environment to hold live, online classes, office hours, guest lectures, webcasts, and meetings.

For detailed information about Wimba, please visit: <http://www.wimba.com/products/liveclassroom/#jt2>

## Wimba Training

An effective start with Wimba requires adequate training with this powerful instrument. You can attend instructor-led live training right from your desk or view the recorded training sessions.

- **Live training:**  
You can register for live training sessions from the website below:  
<http://www.wimba.com/support/liveclassroom/onlinetrainingSeminars.php>  
Please begin with “*101 Teaching With Live Classroom*” to gain a solid foundation for using basic Live Classroom features first.
- **Archived training:**  
You can attend recorded training sessions if you can’t make or miss the live training. Please go to the website below to access all archived training sessions.  
<http://www.wimba.com/support/liveclassroom/training.php>

## Support Materials

The following are documented and live resources that provide technical support for the use of Wimba Live Classroom:

- **Documentation**  
The following guides provide detailed and step by step instructions on how to use Wimba for both instructors and students. You can download them to your local PC for reference.

All Wimba support materials are available at:  
<http://www.wimba.com/support/liveclassroom/docs.php>

### For Faculty

*Presenter Guide*

[http://www.wimba.com/support/downloads/liveclassroom/LC50\\_Presenter\\_Guide.pdf](http://www.wimba.com/support/downloads/liveclassroom/LC50_Presenter_Guide.pdf)

*Wimba Live Classroom for Blackboard User Guide*

This guide provides step by step instruction on how to create Wimba Live Classroom inside Blackboard.

<http://www.otal.umd.edu/wimba/handouts/wimbabbguide.pdf>

**For Students**

*Participant Guide*

[http://www.wimba.com/support/docs/LC50\\_ParticipantGuide.pdf](http://www.wimba.com/support/docs/LC50_ParticipantGuide.pdf)

- **FAQs and Knowledgebase**

<http://www.wimba.com/technicalsupport/>

- **Technical Support**

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