

Video Conferencing

KU Media Productions offers video conferencing for the KU community. Video conferencing allows individuals at multiple locations around the world to collaborate and disseminate information to distant audiences. All participants at each location can see and hear each other. Up to four locations can be managed within our basic KU system. Twelve locations can be managed using expanded resources.

Locations

Our system can be used at many locations around campus as well as hotel and convention centers in Lawrence, Topeka and Kansas City. A 100-BaseT Ethernet connection to the Internet is required.

Equipment

The basic setup for each site will include a camera, microphone and a video display used to see other sites. Other content can include Microsoft PowerPoint documents provided through a laptop supplied by event sponsors. If you have additional materials such as PDF documents and streaming video clips, a website for supporting materials will be developed prior to the conference. KU Media Productions staff can help with this feature.

Scheduling

In order to schedule a videoconference you will need to consider which rooms will be required at each location. KU Media Productions staff are available to help you with distant sites as well as sites in Lawrence, Kansas City and Topeka. Kansas Memorial Union's Event Services staff can help you schedule a room at the Kansas and Burge Unions. Contact Event Services at 785-864-4651 or by email eventservices@ku.edu

Costs

The base charge for video conferencing is \$105 per hour for the conference and \$50 for video conference testing prior to the event. If we have successfully connected to a site previously, testing is not necessary and a testing charge will not be incurred.

Video conferencing is performed over the Internet or ISDN telephone lines. Video conferencing over the Internet, which is called H.323 IP video conferencing, incurs only the \$105 per hour conferencing charge along with the testing charge if necessary. Conferencing over ISDN, which is called H.320 ISDN video conferencing, has additional charges. ISDN charges include: \$55 for setup, \$50 per hour ISDN monitoring and \$105 per hour for video conferencing. The distant site will be required to initiate the ISDN call. Long distance ISDN telephone charges will be incurred by the distant site.

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