Videoconferencing

Overview

IT offers several ways to conduct video conferences. We offer desktop to desktop videoconferencing via Google Video Chat, Google Hangouts for Google+ users, and FUZE (and you are welcome to use other services as well). In addition, we directly support four rooms with traditional videoconferencing capabilities (and many more rooms are equipped at the lab, but not directly supported by IT), assistance with and products to connect desktop to room-based systems, and consulting regarding the purchase of videoconferencing systems.

Services

- Desktop Video Chat with Google Talk and Gmail
- Videoconferencing - Room Based
- Videoconferencing between your desk and room based video systems
- Streaming of Room Based Videoconferences

Mac Mini based Video conferencing carts

As part of a lab sponsored effort to introduce video conferencing more broadly, a portable cart based unit (40” or 60” TV, mac mini, speakers and external microphone mounted on a cart) has been developed and deployed to over 25 locations at the lab. For more information on this approach, the software on the systems and target locations, visit go.lbl.gov/vc. The page you see is also the web page that each system boots up with - instructions for using the software and hardware can be found there. (Including information on FUZE, which is described below)

ZOOM Web/Video Conferencing  (New)

Berkeley lab has a contract with ZOOM to provide site licensed video conferencing services for calendar 2016. ZOOM provides a web based experience for video conferencing and supports mobile phones and tablets as well as PC and MAC laptops and desktops. Instructions for use on our Mac Mini based carts can be found here - but they also apply to desktop and mobile users.

Google Hangouts

Google Hangouts are a multi-person (up to 15) video conferencing alternative. You can intiate a Hangout from Gmail or schedule a video event in Google Calendar. As of December 2015, Hangouts can include any participant (they do not have have a Gmail account)

Help

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Related Services

You may also be interested in screencasting (lecture capture) and other suggestions for self-service video sharing and streaming.