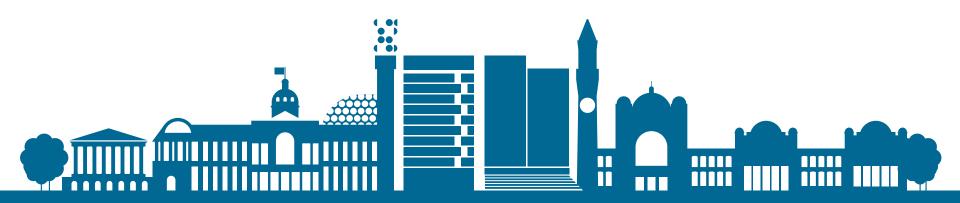


The University of Birmingham Hybrid Teaching & Learning Journey

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Created by Royal Charter in 1900

"both a teaching and an examining University and shall further the prosecution of original research".



Some Numbers

- Total enrolment: aprox 30,000
- Total staff: 7,000
- International community: over 10,000 students
 from approximately 150 countries
- Largest programmes 500-700
- Undergraduate and Postgraduate communities







What Hybrid Means to Birmingham

Attendance Defined by the University around Need and Location

There may be two distinct portions of a student cohort.

- A. Students that are **on-campus** will **attend in- person** unless there is a need to join online (eg. isolating due to Covid, other illness, accessibility).
- B. Students off-campus (eg. international students unable to travel) will access the same session remotely online.

Team Effort

- Senior Education Team (institutional)
- Higher Education Futures institute (HEFi)
 - Project management: staff/student support
 - Support for staff (technical and pedagogical)
- IT Services
- Timetabling
- Learning Resources Accommodation Team (LRAT)
- Teaching Accommodation Management Unit (TAMU)

Factors for Room Selection

- Identifying programmes with high numbers of overseas students
- Cohort size
- Locations around campus
- Provision of Teaching Accommodation Management Unit (TAMU) support
- Suitability of room infrastructure (podium equipment linked to Zoom) for conversion



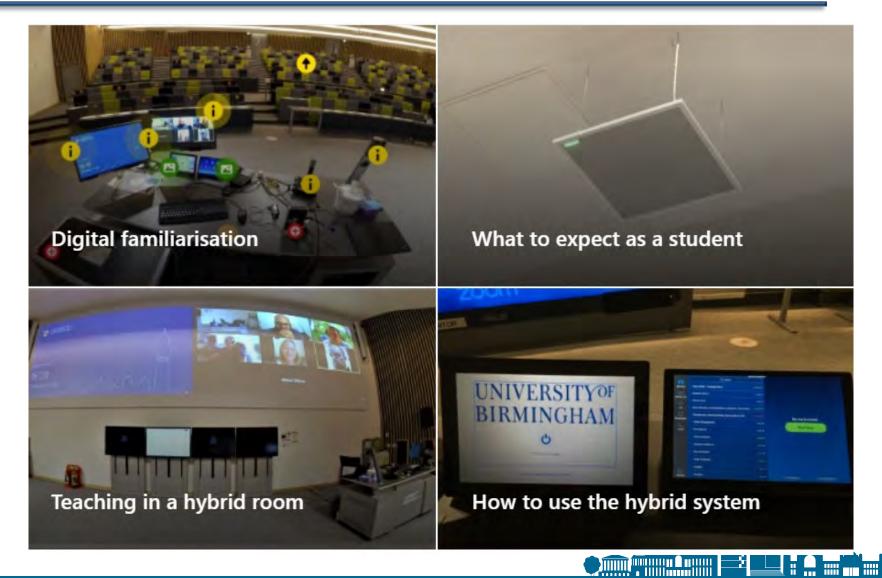
Timeline

- 1. Pilot (Jan May 21)
- 2. Preparation and planning
 - Cross institution teams
- 3. Installation
 - 18 large / 42 small hybrid rooms
- 4. Training and development
 - Pedagogical advice
 - Familiarisation of room (Zoom)
- 5. Delivery: 1st semester Sept to Dec 2021
 - Social Sciences and Engineering & Physical Sciences
 - Large (100-500 in-person seats)
 - Small (less 25 in-person seats)



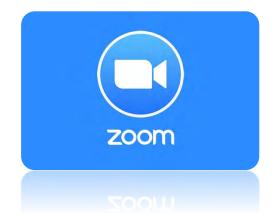


Hybrid Teaching Room Hub



Pedagogical Consideration

- Cognitive Load especially teacher
 - Human Factor: Anxiety, Exhaustion & Emotions
 - Content & Activities
 - Technologies
 - PPT (presentation)
 - TurningPoint or other (polling)
 - Panopto (recording)
 - Zoom (remote access)
- Purposefully building in active learning in the precious live / synchronous learning spaces
- Engagement and motivation of learner



Planing the Pedagogical Toolkit

- Community & literature (eg 20yrs of online distance learning) inspiration
- Initiated and shared resources
 - -#LTHEchat 212 blog post https://tinyurl.com/LTHEchat212
 - -#LTHEchat 212 Wakelet wke.lt/w/s/FqfF7S
 - -#LTHEchat Padlet https://tinyurl.com/LTHEchat212Padlet
 - Resources https://tinyurl.com/Padet-HybridTeaching

Pedagogical Support Toolkit

- Hybrid teaching checklist
- Planning for lecture assistance
- Planning for active learning
- Managing students' questions
- Managing students' expectations
- Housekeeping slide







3 Months In...



Some Numbers

Familiarisation

- 10 supported familiarisation sessions that were attended by 174 members of staff
- 40 colleagues attended unsupported practice only sessions

Hybrid Teaching Room Hub

11,385 visits in the last 90 days

Timetabled Sessions

- 9,754 sessions timetabled into the hybrid rooms in semester 1
- to date there have been 772 'Zoom Room' sessions in large teaching rooms
- Not possible to record how many hybrid sessions occurred in the smaller rooms

Type of Sessions so Far

presentations - in block Small group zoom connection

lecture / tutorial Regular lecture Interactive workshop

remote students

group teaching

Interactive lecture class debates

case discussion

class seminar

guest speaker

language classlecture/workshop

interactive component

lectures are iinteractive

group presentations



Adapting Through 2022 & Beyond









