

HMC Workshop Lounge – Gather introduction

Welcome to our Open Space in GatherTown.

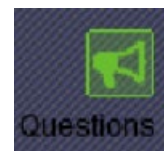
If you never used Gather before, this will give you a short overview over its features. A map with all rooms is given on the second page.

Some features are comparable to other video conferencing tools:

- turning your microphone and video on/off (in the bottom right corner)
- a chat and list of participants (two icons in the bottom left corner)
- chatting with individual participants (by selecting their name instead of the nearby option)
- raising your hand and other expressions (e.g. thumbs up) (at the bottom)
- sharing your screen (at the bottom)

Other features are distinct from other services:

- you can walk around in our virtual space (via the the arrow-keys or WASD-keys)
- you can enter and leave different virtual rooms (by walking through the doors)
- you can only speak directly to participants when you are within a certain distance to them
- each table represents a private space where only people sitting at it can listen to the conversation
- if you want to talk to a certain person you can use a locate function (find a person in the list of participants, click on the name and choose locate)
- you can interact with virtual objects (by pressing x, the objects you can interact with have a yellow halo)
- you can change the look and the name of your virtual character (at the bottom, by clicking on the icon next to your name)
- if you want to ask a question in the lecture hall please move to the green spots labelled with “Questions” (as displayed here) and wait to be called upon.



For further information on gather and its functions please go to: <https://support.gather.town/help>

Please note, that the platform server used is located in the United States and is not fully compliant with the European GDPR. If you want to know more about aspect of data protection and security, please go to: <https://support.gather.town/help/data-protection-and-encryption>