The Settings Window: Select Microphone & Camera

In this tutorial you will:
- Review features of the settings window
- Test your computer’s mic and speakers
- Learn how to select your mic and camera (if you have more than one option)

Choose Audio Options Window

As soon as you create a Zoom meeting, a pop up window appears and you are prompted to choose an audio option. (NOTE: The Join Audio icon in your main meeting window will also bring this up.):

Click on Test Computer Mic & Speakers to open the Zoom Settings window.
Zoom Settings Window: Audio & Video Options

The Settings window has a left hand menu with a number of options, most of which are usually not necessary to access. You can, however, make changes to your Zoom meeting as well test your speaker and mic. The bullet list below tells you what each menu item does, but walks you through testing your speaker and mic, and how to choose from a different camera and mic if you have more than one.

- **General** – this button allows you to edit various like playing sounds when you get a chat, or using dual monitors to share content.
- **Audio** – **click on the blue buttons Test Speaker and Test Mic.** Use the dropdowns if you need to browse between multiple options on your computer. (For example, you may have a mic built into your laptop, but you might also have a USB headset with built in mic that you prefer to use.)
- **Video** – from this option you can use the dropdown to select your camera. For example, you may have a built-in webcam on your laptop, but may prefer to use an external USB webcam. The radio buttons below will change the display. (NOTE: There are other optional features, such as Touch up my appearance, which applies a softening effect to your appearance.)
- **Video Background** – this applies only when you are using a green screen, in which case you can choose a virtual background.
- **Recording** – this allows you to choose where you store your recordings.
- **Advanced Features, Statistics, Accessibility, and Feedback** – feel free to explore these options if you want to further modify your meeting options.