


## What you need:


- A **desktop/laptop** with a **mic** and **camera**.
- A web browser (Chrome or Firefox recommended).
- We strongly recommend using **headphones** to help prevent feedback.
- That's it! There's nothing to install, no software to download.


## How it works:

- Gather is a video chat platform that has avatars move around a map. As you get close to other avatars, your videos will pop up and you will be able to chat.
- Move around the space using the **arrow keys**.
- By moving your avatar around you can have spontaneous conversations with those around you. These can be either one-on-one or small groups depending on how many people are around your avatar.
- When your avatar moves closer to an interactable object, it will glow yellow and there will be a notification that shows up saying 'Press x to interact with -object-'. This can range from informational flyers, playable arcade games, integrated Zoom meetings, and more!


## Icon explanation:

 Screen sharing ability

 Change your **avatar** character and clothing

 **Mini map** to preview the space you're in

 **Emotes** that appear above your avatar.

 Opens the **settings** menu:  

- Change Name
- Change Audio/Video Devices
- Respawn button to return to start

## Not-So-Obvious Features:

Here are some things you might find useful but aren't immediately obvious.

- There is a **messaging feature** that allows you to message people in four ways:
  1. *individually* by clicking on their name in the participant panel,
  2. *locally* to the people you are video chatting with,
  3. *room chat (must be requested)* with all the people in the current room you are in,
  4. *globally* to all the people in your map.
- There is a **locate feature** to find others by clicking their name in the participant panel. The participant panel is the bottom-most option in your toolbar on the left.
- Interaction distance is also sometimes altered by **designated [private spaces](#)**. This allows conversations to only include people inside that space.
- Want to **full screen someone else's video**? Just click on their video.

**URL for student paper awards below (gather town)**

<https://gather.town/app/YZYJIPNyWoUPEihV/ncsp'21>

Move your avatar to the NCSP'21 ENTRANCE and move to the lobby.



**Lobby**



Move to the ballroom for student paper awards ceremony.



Meeting room A and B are linked to the ZOOM.



Staff room