

## Hybrid Short Courses

AMS is committed to ensuring that our meetings and events allow our attendees and presenters to share their science and connect with one another, however we can. As such, we are offering many of our meeting short courses as hybrid - instructors and attendees will be able to participate in-person or virtually.

While we are excited about the benefits associated with virtual participation in short courses, we are also committed to ensuring that the in-person experience at our short courses continues to be beneficial and enjoyable. Hybrid meetings are complex, and we plan to use our expertise and knowledge to improve our attendee experience as new technology, tools, and best practices become available.

During hybrid short courses, all attendees (in-person and virtual) will have access to the same content, in order to do this successfully, things will be set up a little differently than we would for a fully in-person short course:

### Hybrid Classroom Approach



- The short course room will be outfitted with an AMS supplied laptop that will be live on a Zoom. Virtual attendees and instructors will join that Zoom so that they can see and hear everything going on in the short course room. This means that in-person instructors and attendees must use the AMS supplied laptop and provided microphones so that the virtual participants can see and hear everything going on in the short course room and vice versa.

- If you plan on including small group work and/or discussion, you will need to offer breakout rooms to your virtual participants.

Any attendee or instructor who is not able to adhere to the in-person guidelines set forth in the Policy and Waiver or in the [Commitment to Care Statement](#) should plan to participate virtually.

### **In Person attendees**

While all virtual attendance access is available to in-person attendees, there are a few additional items to note:

- Can ask questions and participate in discussion with all in-person and virtual oral presenters in real time via audience microphone or Zoom.
- Can network with other in-person attendees during breaks.

### **In Person Instructors**

In Person instructors have the ability to:

- Share screen with both the in person and virtual attendees.
- Interact with both the in person audience and the virtual audience.

### **Virtual attendees**

Virtual attendees will be able to:

- See and listen to the same presentation as the in person attendees
- Ask questions, either using the chat function or the raise hand function and unmute when called on.
- Will be able to hear all the in person questions and answers

### **Virtual Instructors**

Virtual Instructors will be able to:

- Share their screen and microphone through the Zoom to give their presentation to in person and virtual attendees.
- Ask and answer questions from both the in person and virtual attendees.