Wimba Classroom

Overview:

- Wimba provides real-time communication and content delivery with archive capabilities for on-line courses.
- Wimba will only work with Internet Explorer 7.0+, Firefox 3.0+, or Safari 3.0+

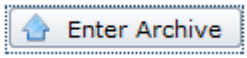
Attending a Course Session:

*Connecting a Headset **

To use audio in a Wimba session, you will need to borrow a headset with microphone from a lab consultant.

1. Locate the icons for microphone and speaker on the plugs of your headset.
2. Match the icons on the plugs to the jacks on the IC Lab computer.
   - The microphone jack on the computer is pink and the speaker jack on the computer is green.
   - The microphone plug on the headset is pink, and the speaker plug on the headset is black.
3. Plug the headset.
4. Make sure the volume control on your headset cord is turned up.

*Attending a Session **

1. Launch an Internet browser and log in to MyGateway
2. Click on the appropriate course name
3. In the left-hand panel, click on the Tools tab → Wimba Classroom.
4. Once you click on Wimba Classrooms, all the available sessions should be shown. Click on the desired session to enter and then click on 

*If you are accessing from home for the first time, then you will receive a prompt to download the client. If you are using Internet Explorer, the client is automatically installed. If you are using Mozilla Firefox, accept the plugin (if needed) and then the client is automatically installed. Click **Yes** in the Security dialog box, if necessary.*

*Running the Wimba Setup Wizard **

1. After clicking on the session you want to join, a setup wizard will open up.
2. Simply click on the

(Note: you may need to enable pop-ups.)
3. Go through the setup wizard by clicking on

, and on the

icons located on the right of the window.
4. Once the setup is done, click on

, in order to launch Wimba.

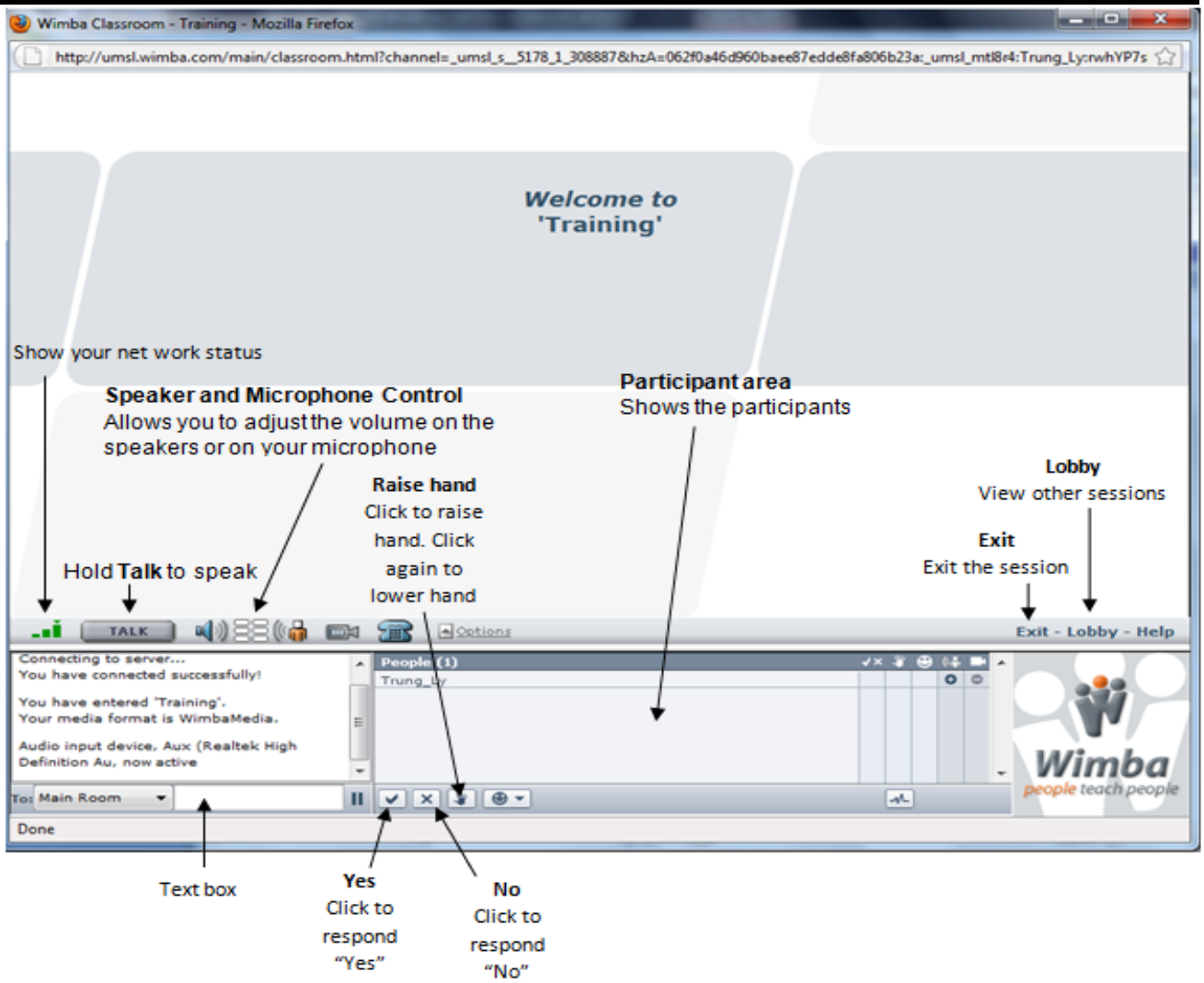
*Speaking Options in Session **

Hold down the

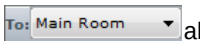
icon during the time you are speaking. Holding down the Ctrl (control) key on the keyboard also allows the same speaking privilege.

*** Please see a Lab Consultant for help in any of the steps above when in our labs.**

Participating in a Course Session:

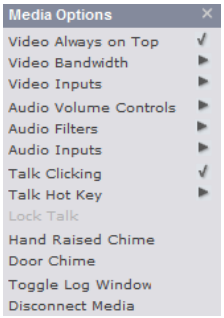


Sending Text Chat

1. In order to send a text message, simply click on the text box, type in your message, and hit enter.
2. To send a message to everyone in your session, make sure it says 

above.
3. To send a message to private people, simply change the selection from **Main Room** to the desired person's name to whom you want to send the message, type in the message, and hit the **Enter** key on the keyboard.

More Options



Audio Filters – In order to add filters to the sound control such as Silent Detection and Noise Reduction

Audio Input – In order to add input devices from other applications

Video Always on Top – Uncheck to disable Always on Top feature