

Grace Studio Video Recording Instructions

Welcome to Grace Studio! Recording a video cast is a great way to engage your audience visually. Whether you want to use the studio laptop or your own phone, these instructions will help you get a professional look and sound with ease.

Option 1: Recording via Zoom (Best for a fixed, "TV-style" look)

1. **The Setup:** Mount the digital camera on the tripod and connect it to the laptop. (*8K Digital Camera, Amazon Basics 60-inch Lightweight DSLR Tripod*)
2. **Audio & Light:** Connect your microphone and turn on the ring light. Set the ring light to a "warm" or "natural" white setting to look best on camera. (*Zoom ZDM-1 Podcast Mic, Ring Light Tripod*)
3. **Open Zoom:** Start a **New Meeting**.
 - o **Video:** Click the arrow next to the camera icon and select the "8K Camera."
 - o **Audio:** Select your microphone under the microphone icon.
4. **Record:** Press **Record** and choose "**Record on this Computer.**"
5. **Save:** When finished, click **End Meeting for All**. Wait for the laptop to finish converting the file, then transfer the video file (the one ending in .mp4) to your SD card. (*SD Card, uni or Acer SD Card Reader*)

Option 2: Recording via iPhone (Apple)

1. **The Setup:** Place your iPhone in the holder on the phone tripod. Use the "rear" camera (the one on the back of the phone) for the highest quality. (*67" Phone Tripod*)
2. **Lighting:** Position the ring light directly behind your phone, so the light shines toward your face. (*Ring Light Tripod*)
3. **Sound:** Clip the wireless mic to your shirt and plug the receiver into your iPhone's charging port. (*Wireless Microphone for iPhone/iPad*)
4. **Record:** Open your **Camera app**, switch to **Video**, and hit the red button.
5. **Transfer:** Once finished, you can "AirDrop" the video to the studio laptop or use the card reader to save it. (*Laptop & Mouse, Acer SD Card Reader for iPhone 16/15*)

Option 3: Recording via Android Phone

1. **The Setup:** Secure your phone in the tripod. If you want a fun background, stand in front of the green screen! (*67" Phone Tripod, Suprizo Green Screen Backdrop*)
2. **Lighting:** Turn on the tripod lights to make sure your face is evenly lit and there are no shadows on the green screen behind you. (*Tripod Lights*)
3. **Sound:** Plug the Android-compatible wireless mic into the USB-C port on your phone. (*Wireless Microphone for Android Phone*)
4. **Record:** Open your **Camera app**, select **Video**, and ensure the phone is in "Landscape" (sideways) mode for a professional look. Press record!

5. **Transfer:** Connect your phone to the laptop using a USB cable or use the card reader to move the video file to your SD card. (*uni SD Card Reader, Plug & play USB hub*)

Pro-Tip for All Methods:

- **Eye Contact:** Look directly into the camera lens, not at the screen, so it feels like you are looking at your audience.
- **The "Oops" Fix:** If you mess up a line, just pause, look at the camera, smile, and start that sentence over. It's very easy to trim out that silence later!