The Waiting Room feature in Zoom allows the meeting host to control when a participant joins the meeting. You can meet with one person while another waits in the waiting room and then allow the person waiting to join the meeting. Some people use this function for online interviews when they want to speak with the search committee first and then bring the interviewee into the meeting or office hours where they are meeting with one student after another.

Here’s how to enable Waiting Room for your own meetings:

Log on to your Zoom account at brown.zoom.us

Navigate to the Waiting Room option on the Meeting tab and verify that the setting is enabled.

If the setting is disabled, click the Status toggle to enable it.

Using Waiting Room

Once in meeting, the option will be enabled under Manage Participants under More
Once a participant joins, you will see the option to either Admit or Remove the user. Selecting Admit will allow them to join the meeting.

When a participant is waiting to enter the meeting, they will see the following message:

Please wait, the meeting host will let you in soon.

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