

## Computer System Requirements

### This course is interactive:

- All learners are required to use a computer, a tablet or a smart phone to work on the learning platform.
- Learners participating in online (virtual) classroom (VC) sessions are required to use a device with a **microphone & camera** to allow two-way communication between facilitators and peers.



## Virtual Classroom

### What is a Virtual Classroom?

An online (virtual) classroom session is **NOT a webinar**. A webinar is a one-way lecture, which provides information to a large audience, with limited interaction among learners

A **virtual classroom** is a collaborative web conferencing tool with online whiteboards, breakout rooms, and screen sharing capabilities for conducting highly-interactive, live, online teaching sessions. Learners are expected to actively participate in the learning, through peer & facilitator discussions and face-to-face virtual interactions.

We use Zoom as our VC platform.

### Connecting to Virtual Classroom

*The VC will open 10 minutes before the start of class to give you time to get logged in and work out any technical issues you may have as well as to allow our facilitators to begin the class on time.*

To Connect to the VC, please follow these steps:

- **Log into the PFPE platform** using your username and password.
- **Close the pop-up Welcome Page** (if applicable)
- You should now be on the **Course Home Page**
  - On the left you will see:
    - **Activity Feed** - Review the message from your facilitator under Latest Posts
    - **Table of Contents (TOC)**
  - On the right you will see:
    - **D2L Welcome**
    - **Announcements**
    - **Calendar** – in the calendar, click on the date and time of your training session, and then follow the instructions for connecting to Zoom Virtual Classroom.

**Note:** *You can always navigate to the Course Home page by clicking on Course Home on the blue navigation near the top of the page*