

Send an invitation link to access your media in Canvas

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28 This article is designated for all users.

About

As a media owner, co-owner, co-editor, or co-publisher, you can invite users to access a specific media entry, such as a video or live event.

Invite links provide secure, role-based access without requiring the invited user to sign in through the site's normal authentication process. The roles available depend on the media type (see Select invitation type below).



You can also invite users to join a **Kaltura Room** session. For details, see *Send an* invitation link to join your Kaltura Room.

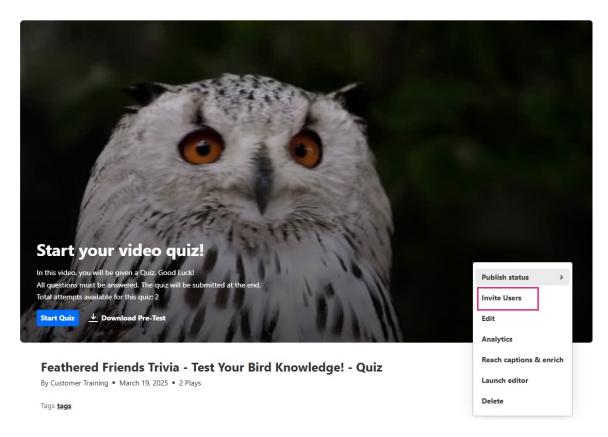


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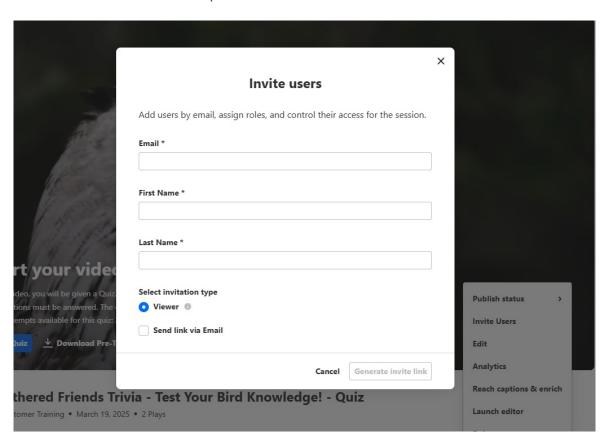
Send a link

- 1. Go to the media page for your media entry.
- 2. Click the three-dot menu below the screen and select Invite users.





The 'Invite users' window opens.



3. In the 'Invite users' window, complete the following:



- **Email address** (Required) Begin typing the participant's email. If there's a match with an existing user, they'll appear in the drop-down menu. Select the correct person to auto-fill their details. If they're not in the system, type the full email address.
- First and last name (Required) Enter the participant's name.
- Select an invitation type Options depend on the media type:

For <u>video</u>, <u>quiz</u>, <u>document</u>, <u>audio</u>, and similar entries: **Viewer** only (gives access to the media page)

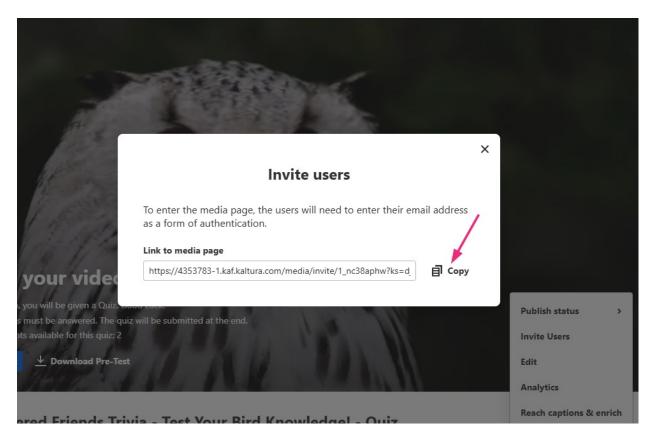
For <u>live sessions</u> (webcast, simulive, DIY live):

- Viewer Access to the live session, chat, Q&A, and answer interactions
- Moderator Access to Q&A moderation and backchannel
- Speaker Access to Q&A and backchannel
- **Send link via email** Check this box if you want the system to email the invite to the user. The email uses the template your admin set up and includes the invitee's name, session details, and a direct link to join. If no template is configured, this option won't appear.
- 4. Click **Generate invite link** at the bottom right.

A confirmation window opens.

5. Copy the generated link from the confirmation window.





6. Share the link with the invitee using your preferred method.

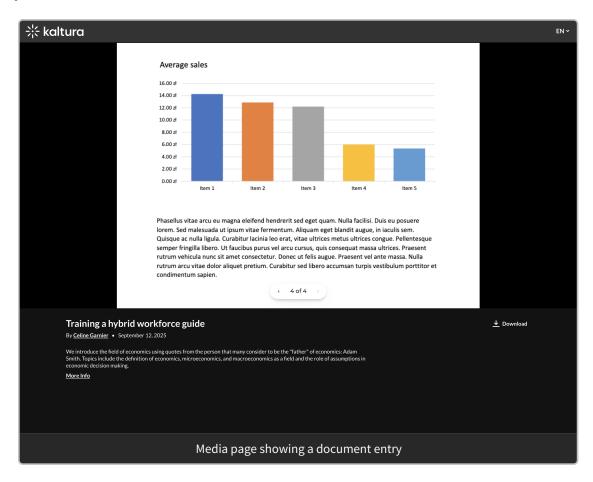


For security, links may only work once or for a limited time, depending on admin settings. In addition, links can't be reused on multiple devices.

What the invitee sees

For **video, quiz, document, audio**, and similar entries, the invitee will access the media page as a viewer.





For live sessions (webcast, simulive, DIY live) -

- If the session hasn't started The invitee will access the page with event details and a countdown until the start time.
- When the session is open The lobby screen always appears, even if the invitee is logged in.

If the invitee is already logged into the same media page - Clicking the invite link will immediately <u>upgrade their role</u> (for example, from viewer to moderator or speaker) without requiring them to log out and back in.



For the user guide, see Access media from an invite link in Canvas.

Troubleshooting

If an invitee can't access a media entry, check the following:

- Expired or already used link You should generate and share a new link.
- **Email doesn't match** Remind the invitee to use the same email address that received the invite.



- Media deleted or invite removed The invite won't work. You should check the
 media status and send a new invite if needed.
- **Domain restrictions** If the invitee's email domain is blocked, try a different email address or contact the admin.
- Role didn't update If you promoted an invitee but they don't see their new permissions, ask them to refresh the page.