



# Creative Spark Higher Education Enterprise Programme

PechaKucha guide to creating captivating presentations







### **Purpose**

To get to know the **PechaKucha** concept, understand how it works and how to deliver this kind of presentation. Students are to present their ideas in this format as part of their Day 2 sessions.

# What is a PechaKucha?

It is a presentation in a 20x20 format. There are 20 slides, 20 seconds of delivery per slide is allowed. This format means that you can keep your audience's attention for the duration of your presentation.

# What makes a great PechaKucha?

There are four main components that are essential for a great PechaKucha:

Structure I m a g e Attitude Practice

### **Simple Structure**

- You have 20 slides to fill with content, but it doesn't mean you need to talk about 20 different ideas.
- The presentation should have a beginning a middle and an end just like an essay.
- It is recommended you start with what you want to say, then choose images that illustrate what you are talking about.

Part 1: Try to lay out some exposition with a few slides tell us who you are what you're going to present about.

Part 2: Here you present the key concepts and ideas you worked on as a team. Talk about what was your task and what you came up with, dedicate a few slides to each. Part 3: Finally, talk about why this all matters to us, as the audience. What is your message?

## **Beautiful Images**

- Try to use full-screen beautiful photos or images.
- Avoid complicated templates and text on your slides. Remember there is only 20 seconds for each slide, so they need to be nice and simple.
- Images are there to convey your ideas, they need to have a purpose. Most importantly they need to be clear and interesting for your audience.

### **Good Attitude**

Without confidence and interest in what you're saying, you'll lose your audience. It's better to be smooth and overconfident, than self-deprecating and afraid of your own voice. You want your audience to feel, that you're talking about something important.

### **Practice a lot**

- During a PechaKucha presentation you want to write out exactly what you'll say during the presentation. Try to use cue cards and practice your speaking until it becomes natural.
- While you're presenting, you want to focus on delivery, rather than struggling to recall sentences. You only have 20 seconds per slide and need to use it efficiently.
- So, practice a lot!

### **Practical resources**

An example of a PechaKucha: The Sounds of the City

There's a PechaKucha PowerPoint template for students available on our website.