



# Call for Presentations

## EnggTALK, Powered by PechaKucha

The University of Alberta, [Faculty of Engineering Young Alumni Council](#) (EnggYAC) is excited to be hosting our second EnggTALK event on the evening of **Thursday, March 7, 2019**. This year, EnggTALK coincides with [International Women's Day 2019](#) (#IWD2019) and our theme will support their [#BalanceforBetter](#) campaign, because we believe in a gender-balanced and inclusive engineering community.

### Presentation Topics:

We are looking for presenters to discuss the challenges, successes and achievements of women in engineering and other topics that promote increased diversity and inclusion in engineering. We are open to a broad range of ideas and encourage creativity!

### Presentation Format:

This event will be "[Powered by PechaKucha](#)." Wondering what this means?

- This means you're allowed 20 slides with 20 images for 20 seconds each.
- Your total presentation time is 6 minutes and 40 seconds.
- Images advance automatically and you talk along to the images (no stopping or going back once you start!).

There will also be a moderated panel and networking session after the presentations.

### More about PechaKucha:

Drawing its name from the Japanese term for "the sound of chit chat", PechaKucha Night (PKN) was devised in Tokyo in February 2003 as a venue for young designers to meet, network, exchange ideas and show their work in public. In Edmonton, the PKN license sits with [Edmonton's NextGen](#) who typically hosts three PKN events each year so we are excited to partner with them for this year's EnggTALK!

## How to Submit your Presentation:

Please submit your presentation proposal in a word document to [enggyac@ualberta.ca](mailto:enggyac@ualberta.ca) by **February 15, 2019**:

Please include:

- Your name, email address, position title and organization, phone number, headshot image, and any website and/or Twitter/Social Media handles you have.
- The title of your presentation and a **maximum one-page** abstract.
- A minimum of six sample images that give us a good impression of your visual approach.
  - **Images must be 1024 x 768 pixels** and in **landscape orientation**. Low resolution results in grainy, lower-quality images when projected on large screens.
  - PechaKucha presentations are highly visual, so the better your images, the better your chances!

## PechaKucha Presentation Resources and How-To:

The #yegpkn FAQ from [Edmonton's NextGen](#) is chock-full of tips on everything from building your presentation to speaking on stage and more. You can find more information on the [PKN Global](#) website.

## 10 STEPS TO A GREAT PECHAKUCHA PRESENTATION:

1. Choose an original and engaging topic that you're passionate about. Self-promotion is out and creative ideas are in. Audiences respond well to passionate people speaking on concepts and ideas, rather than selling a product, experience or point of view.
2. You only have 20 images, so choose them wisely. Don't worry about a title slide; we take care of that for you with a PKN intro slide that includes your name and presentation title.
3. Place slide images in landscape orientation to maximize the use of the screen.
4. If you don't own images, reference them! If they're your own, even better.
5. Resize your images to 1024 x 768 px. Again, **we can't stress enough that this is landscape orientation**.
6. Please do not include text and multiple images on one slide.
7. Match your topic/speech to each image. You only have 20 seconds per image and the presentation automatically moves to the next image, so choose your words wisely!
8. Keep it casual and conversational - there is no lectern.
9. Watch Travis Sheridan's presentation about [how to give a good PechaKucha presentation](#).
10. Keep in mind that PechaKucha presentations are all about ideas and those ideas allow the audience to learn, expand their perspectives, and leave the night with something new in their mind.

"Powered by PechaKucha" events are one-off events that are separate from regular city-based PechaKucha Nights, and are usually held as part of festivals and conferences, but can also act as standalone events.

These events include presentations that use the PechaKucha 20 images x 20 seconds format.

Find out more at [PechaKucha.org](http://PechaKucha.org).