

## HackCamp

## Workshop 8 Team Building

**Julian Bass** 



### Contents

- 1. Exchange Contact Details
- 2. Skills Inventory
- 3. Role Assignment
- 4. Learn about each other
  - Learning Timeline
- 5. Team member behaviour norms



## **Exchange Contact Details**

- Exchange contact details with your group members
  - Email, mobile
- Optional (but maybe useful)
  - Set-up a WhatsApp or MS Teams group
  - Establish a team Trello Board
    - for user story backlogs and a Kanban board
  - Create a team Slack Channel



#### Contents

- Exchange Contact Details
- Skills Inventory
- Role Assignment
- Learn about each other
  - Learning Timeline
- Team member behaviour norms



### Aims

- What are the types of skills and skill categories you will need for the HackCamp?
- What metrics or experience levels do you use to assess a skill competency?

#### Task

 Work with the other members of your team to identify the various sills available within the group



- Technology
  - What technologies have you worked with?
  - Think about
    - Software,
    - Hardware,
    - Networks, and
    - Information management or storage.



### Development Process

- What techniques have you learned (across the development lifecycle, perhaps)?
- What do you know already about agile methods?

### Other Skills

- What skills have you acquired through hobbies, interests and pastimes?
  - Think about administrative, organisational, social and communication skills, etc.



- Don't be shy about the range of skills you have
- Something you take for granted might be seen as a huge asset to another member of the group
- Think about experience levels,
  - Novice (Done some reading and an online tutorial)
  - Learner (completed a University course and some assignments)
  - Competent (I've been using this routinely for a year)
  - Proficient (I have 2-3 years experience with this)





Your task...



### Work together as a group

Create a list of technical skills in the group
Create a list of non-technical skills in the
group



### Contents

- Exchange Contact Details
- Skills Inventory
- > Role Assignment
- Learn about each other
  - Learning Timeline
- Team member behaviour norms



## Role Assignment

- Self-organising team
  - Everyone is a member of the team and should contribute working code
- Scrum master
  - Contributes working code
  - Facilitates the team's use of Scrum
- (Proxy) Product Owner
  - Your client is the product owner
  - They will expect you to create user stories
  - You might want a team member to co-ordinate/liaise with your client



## Role Assignment

- Other Roles
  - Everyone is a member of the team and should contribute working code
- Depending on the skills within the group
  - Technical lead
  - Test lead
  - Integration lead
  - UI Lead (front-end)
  - Database Lead (back-end)



### Contents

- Exchange Contact Details
- Skills Inventory
- Role Assignment
- Learn about each other
  - Learning Timeline
- Team member behaviour norms





Your task...



### Work together as a group

Develop and draw a learning timeline

Describe your academic career at Salford so far

Decide what to include or not include

Individual achievements



- Group Learning Timeline
- Why use timelines?
  - Timelines provide structure
  - Timelines enable chunking
  - Timelines are a good source for interactions

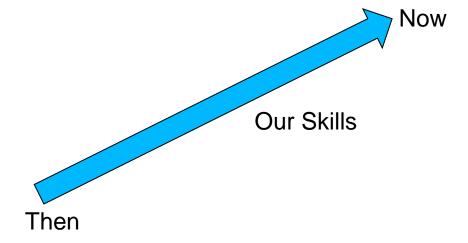


- Discuss your undergraduate career so far
- Think about the highlights (and low lights)
- What events influenced you the most
- How has your life changed since become a student?
- How different is your university experience compared to school?



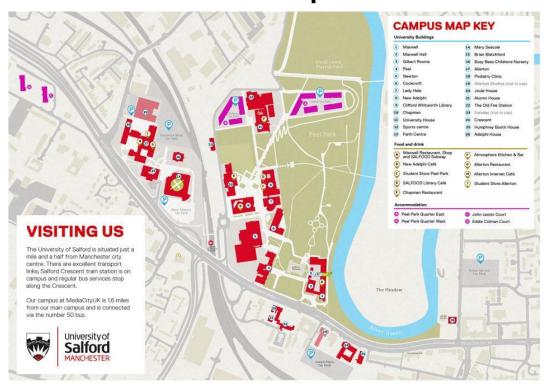
Timeline flat and simple
 Timeline trend



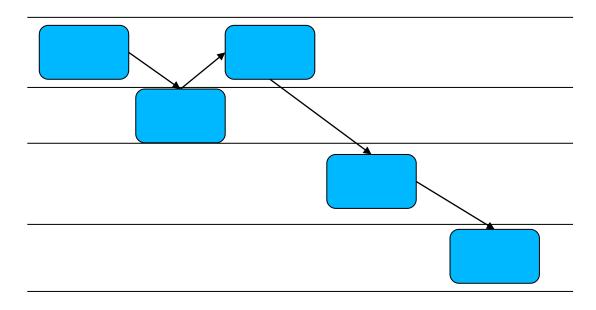




Timeline map



Timeline swim lanes







Your task...



### Work together as a group

Develop and draw a learning timeline

Describe your academic career at Salford so far

Decide what to include or not include

Individual achievements



### Contents

- Exchange Contact Details
- Skills Inventory
- Role Assignment
- Learn about each other
  - Learning Timeline
- > Team member behaviour norms



### Task

- Work together as a group
- Create a set of guidelines for methods of working, acceptable behaviour and conduct within the group.
  - You should list accepted behaviours about how you would like to be treated by other members of the group.
  - You should also list any unacceptable behaviours you found out about in your discussions.



- What sort of group do you want to work in?
- Calm, collaborative, consensual, supportive?
- Innovative, passionate (about the project, of course), high-performing
- Hard working, dedicated, diligent

- Fractious, ill-tempered, rude, dictatorial?
- Unoriginal, uninventive, uncreative, impractical
- Going-through-themotions, bear minimum to pass, quick and dirty



- Of course, we want the other group members to treat us with respect. Right?
- But what does that mean? What is respectful behaviour?
- Some members of your group might have very different expectations than you.
- Things you consider normal may, in fact, be strange or even offensive to others in your group.



- Find out if there are any culturally sensitive areas for any members of your group
- We want to have a bit of fun. But without alienating or marginalising anyone
- Think about what has annoyed you about working in groups in the past
- Find out what has annoyed other group members about working in teams before



- This exercise is about mitigating risks of group working
  - Identify each of the risks
  - Plan for how to avoid those risks



- Use this exercise to learn new skills about ways of working in teams.
  - How will we communicate?
  - How will we collaborate?
  - How will we provide feedback?
  - How will we make decisions?
  - How will we handle conflict?
  - How will we prioritise work?
  - How will we measure our work?
  - How will we recognise or celebrate each other's contributions?



## Summary

- Complete five exercises BEFORE HackCamp day 1
  - Exchange Contact Details
  - Skills Inventory
  - Role Assignment
  - Learning Timeline
  - Team member behaviour norms