

# Hoax Pocus

## Detailed Structure

The contestants have to write a paper (and later present it) on a topic of their choice. The topic can be anything - an invention, event etc.

However, it has to be fake, i.e. made up by the contestants.

You have to convince the judges that the hypothetical topic is actually true. The challenge lies in making the judges forget that the topic is fake. Feel free to use both true/false facts to support your hypothesis.

Participation: Individual OR in teams of 2-3.

Submissions: Research Paper (initially) and later a presentation (ppt).

Prelims: Submissions open 45 days before the event. Participants have a month to come up with a topic and submit the paper through e-mail. <final date of submission><how to submit>

Selection: Based on the papers, best 10 entries (subject to change according to participation response) will be selected for the final event.

The selected students will receive a mail regarding the finals.

Once the results are announced, participants will have the remaining time till the main event to prepare their presentation.

Final: Participants have to present their hypothesis in front of the audience/judges. They are required to use electronic tools (like a Powerpoint or Prezi presentation) along with their paper. The final assessment will be based on the presentation given by the participants on that day.

Time limit per team: 10 minutes.

## Rules

- The topic can be of any genre, regarding any personality, invention, event, etc in the world.
- The main topic cannot be real/true. It has to strictly be fake/hypothetical. But, the facts used to support the topic can either be fake or real.
- There cannot be more than 3 members in a team. The maximum time for the presentations (final) is 10 minutes.
- Cross-college teams are allowed.
- Alteration of the topic (from prelim to final) in any way will not be allowed.



- All the entries/submissions along with the team name are to be mailed to the email address provided below. In case of multiple submissions, only the first one will be considered for evaluation.
- Plagiarism in any form is strictly prohibited and will lead to disqualification.
- No responsibility will be held by Esya, IIITD for any late or lost entries or any such events.
- Decision of the judges and the Organising Committee will be final and binding.
- The prizes are subject to change on the basis of quality of participation.