# Assessed Progress Review and Oral Presentation

# What to include in your slides?

The virtual Progress Review session will involve you and your supervisor. It will consist of a PowerPoint presentation (as delivered by you) followed by a formal discussion including set questions from the supervisor. The PowerPoint presentation should be approximately 10-15 minutes (but absolutely no longer than 15mins) and should contain up to 6 key slides plus the title slide (i.e. each presentation will be no more than 7 slides long). The 6 key slides cover four areas (detailed below) and are 1. Introduction/Background (1 slide), 2. Technical Content/Methodology (2 slides), 3. Results/Data (2 slides), 4. Evaluation/Next Steps (1 slide). When preparing your slides please refer to the marking scheme which clearly lays out what needs to covered.

Below are some suggestions to consider when preparing your slides, please don’t pack the slides with information or feel you have to answer every point below, these are provided as guidance.

Remember: Don’t clutter your slides, they are there as a visual aid to support your spoken word. Aim for images and bullet points/limited text. You do get marks for clarity.

## Slide 1 – Title Slide

Include your name, student number, project title, supervisor name and one image that epitomises your project.

## Slide 2 - Introduction/Background

**Introduce the project:**

What is the engineering problem you are addressing?

What interested you about his project?

What is the current state of the art and/or what key research typifies the engineering problem you are working on? (Remember to reference accordingly)

What will your findings offer to the field?

## Slide 3 (and 4) Technical Content/Methodology

**You may use 1 or 2 slides for this section. Discuss the technical aspects of the project and how they have been developed:**

What methods have you used to collect data?

What tools/techniques/equipment have been employed?

Why were the methods/tools/techniques chosen (did previous work/literature influence you?)

How has the pandemic (if at all) affected your method selection?

## Slide 5 (and 6) – Results/Data (to date)

**You may use 1 or 2 slides for this section. Show your results/data/findings. You may have lots of data, you don’t need to include it all, just make sure you summarise clearly with graphs/figures/images.**

What have you done in the project?

Show your key findings?

What data do you still need to collect?

## Slide 7 – Evaluation/Next steps

**Use this slide to evaluate findings so far and detail plans for finishing the project:**

What do your results mean, are you confident?

How do your findings compare with what is already known?

How did you validate and ensure your findings are robust, did you use statistical analysis?

Is there anything unexpected, could you have done anything differently?

End the slide/talk by detailing how you plan to finish the project.