The ability to speak effectively in public is a critical skill to have in your academic portfolio. It can mean

PowerPoint. Keep in mind that there are analogues to PowerPoint in OpenOffice, Googledocs,
and iWork to which my comments apply. PowerPoint and its analogues have become the single
most commonly used medium and in some quarters are synonymous with giving a talk. It is also

Conten	IT:
	Identifies a central question and related argument Clearly identifies what others have said in response to your central question (or a similar
	question) Concretely describes the evidence you use to make your case
	Describes what you will do to the information you will use as evidence
	Conveys to listeners why this project matters to our understanding of cities and/or to related policies
Effectiv	veness of delivery or impact:
	Organization (listeners know what you will do, how, and if you did "it")
	Time management (aim to finish in 5 minutes; you will be cut off at 7 minutes)
	Pace (speak at a rate that will be understood by your listeners but that is not too fast)
	Media use: make sure y