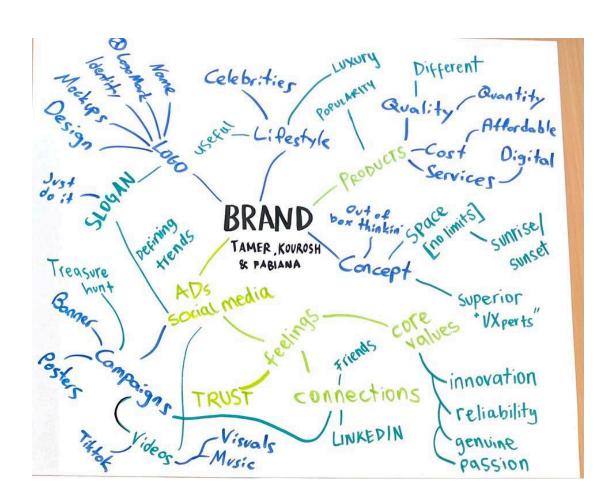
Mind Mapping, Defining Our Mission & Name

Phase 1

To start branding our studio, we needed to know what we stand for and what we want to show the world as a brand. We decided on using the mind mapping method to get inspired from each other's ideas. I picked the color blue and wrote down everything that comes to my mind when I think of a "Brand".



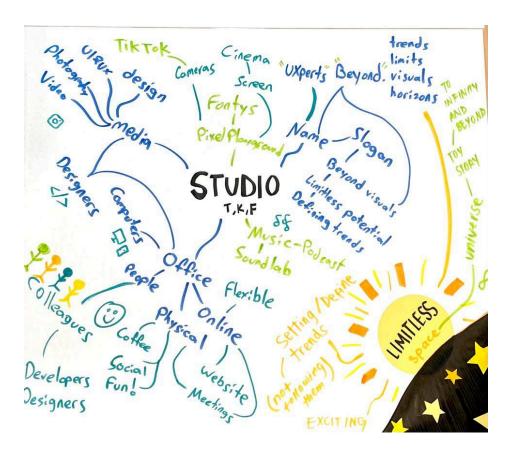
Findings:

I realized that, to be able to present our brand to the clients briefly and efficiently, we really need to have the following:

- A memorable name
- A catchy slogan/motto
- A simple and clean logo
- A unique mission; what we want to show the world
- Core Values
- A product that represents us; tells who we are (possibly a website, a business card, a poster or a video)
- (optional) A campaign concept; a product that will make us more memorable

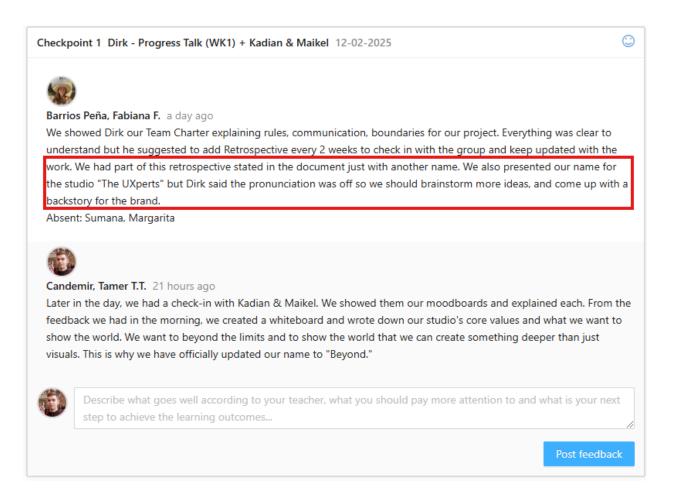
Phase 2

Later, we created another mind map, this time the main word was "Studio". The aim was to get more keywords and ideas for the studio we are branding.



In this mind map, I wrote down the word "Name" because I found out in the previous map that it was crucial for a brand/studio to have a memorable and a meaningful name. From that branch, some slogan ideas sparkled. I could easily tell from the slogan ideas that we are going for a unique identity, something different from what is currently available out there.

Another branch of mine, media, helped a classmate to come up with a name. Combining UI/UX and core values, she came up with the name of "UXperts". After getting feedback from a teacher saying the pronunciation of the name is a bit off and not easily guessable, we continued brainstorming.

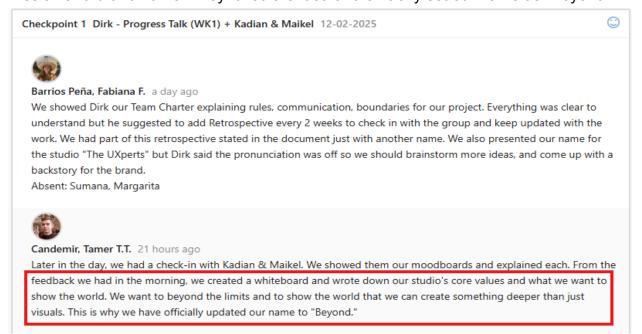


The slogan "Beyond Visuals" was liked a lot by all the group members, so I said why not name our studio "Beyond". The team loved the idea and we decided on the name. We also took notes digitally on a whiteboard of Microsoft Teams about our ideas of slogans, names, and mission.



We finally decided that our mission is to create products that are deeper than just visuals. "Beyond Visuals".

Later, we had a check in session with two teachers where we told them about our mission and brand name. They loved the idea and officially set our name as "Beyond."



Reflection:

Thanks to this session we had with our team, mind mapping proved its power to me by helping us define the mission for our studio. It also made the process of finding a name way easier than I imagined. I enjoyed using this method because it gets everyone in the group to think and share their ideas. Since the concept is to write whatever comes to your mind about the topic, it really helps coming up with an idea even just by looking at what others have written. In the next phases of our project, I will strongly suggest my team to use such methods to solve problems in a more efficient way.