

PREPARING FOR YOUR WORK PLACEMENT INTERVIEW

What Are Employers Looking For?

All organisations will look for evidence of a varied range of skills and competencies from you. The most common include;

MINDSET

- A positive attitude: a 'can do' approach and good work ethic
- Enthusiasm and willingness to learn
- Flexibility and adaptability

COMMUNICATIONS

- Team-work, collaboration and co-operation
- Good personal presentation
- Communication - oral and written

ORGANISATION

- Effective organisational and time management skills
- Computer literacy/IT skills

PERSONAL QUALITIES AND SKILLS

- Ability to work on your own initiative
- Problem solving – finding solutions to challenges
- Honesty and integrity
- Reliability
- Numeracy

Interview Questions At A Glance

Research information, think about your answer and practice out loud!

- Tell me about yourself...
- Why did you choose to study for a degree in....?
- What subjects do you enjoy most?
- What key skills and knowledge have you gained during your degree?
- Tell me about a team project you have been involved in?
- What goals and objectives do you have for your work placement?
- What experience do you have of working as part of a team?
- What are your strengths?
- What are your weaknesses?
- Why are you interested in this position? Why do you want this job?
- What do you know about our organization?
- What can you contribute to our organization?
- Tell me about an achievement of which you are proud?