

Dear Applicant

I am very pleased to invite you to attend an online interview at Leeds Beckett University for a place on our **BSc (Hons) Speech & Language Therapy course** (UCAS course code **B620**). The date and start time of the selection session have been communicated to you via your UCAS Hub account.

Prior to your interview you will receive an email with details about the day which will include an online link for a Microsoft Teams session to join. You do not need to download Microsoft Teams as you will be able to join as a guest from the link. You will need access to the internet and a camera and microphone on your computer. If you think that it is not going to be possible for you to attend an online interview, it is very important that you let us know so we can offer you an alternative arrangement.

With this link you will also be sent all 6 interview questions that you will be able to prepare for in advance. Further details will be provided in that e-mail.

MORNING SESSIONS

If you have been invited to a morning session, you will receive a Microsoft Teams link to join an initial online introduction to the day and course presentation from **9.20am – 10.20am**. You will also be supplied with two further Microsoft Teams links and times to participate in:

1. A scored, selection interview with a University tutor (20 minutes)
2. An optional drop-in session with other applicants, which is an opportunity to have discussions with the service users. This session is not observed or scored and you do not have to attend, but you may find it interesting to meet some of our clients and to ask them any questions (30 minutes)

The timings will be supplied to you in the email. You need to be available between 9.20am until 12.30pm (or 1pm if you attend the drop-in). You will not be online for the entire time and there might be a possibility you will finish slightly earlier.

AFTERNOON SESSIONS

If you have been invited to an afternoon session, you will receive a Microsoft Teams link to join an initial online introduction to the day and course presentation from **1.30pm - 2.30pm**. You will also be supplied with two further Microsoft Teams links and times to participate in:

1. A scored, selection interview with a University tutor (20 minutes)
2. An optional drop-in session with other applicants, which is an opportunity to have discussions with the service users. This session is not observed or scored and you do not have to attend, but you may find it interesting to meet some of our clients and to ask them any questions (30 minutes)

The timings will all be supplied to you in the email. You need to be available between 1.30pm until 4.40pm (5.10pm if you attend the drop-in) although you will not be online for the entire time and there might be a possibility you will finish slightly earlier.

For further details regarding what to prepare for your interview and what to expect on the day, please see the guidance information below.

What to do now:

Due to the number of applications, we typically receive, **it is now very important that you accept or decline our invitation to interview via your UCAS Hub account.**

You will not receive a copy of this letter through the post. **Failure to respond will result in your UCAS application to this course being withdrawn.**

If you have any special needs or requirements in attending the interview, please email us at ucasadmissions@leedsbeckett.ac.uk as soon as possible.

If you have any queries about any of the information contained in this letter or interview guidance, please contact us at ucasadmissions@leedsbeckett.ac.uk

We look forward to meeting you and presenting the opportunities we have to offer.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Denise Dixon-Smith', written in a cursive style.

Denise Dixon-Smith
Head of Admissions
Leeds Beckett University



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Interview Guidance for September 2024 Entry

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Interview Guidance

Congratulations on being invited for an online interview for our **BSc (Hons) Speech & Language Therapy** course. The information in this booklet will assist you in preparing for your online interview and will give you an idea of what to expect on the day.

You have been selected for an online interview on the strength of your application. We feel you demonstrate a range of attributes and qualities that indicate you have the potential to succeed as a healthcare professional. The process requires you to attend a formal online interview so that we have a chance to make a decision as to your suitability for our course. You too must make a decision, based on your findings at interview, as to which university and course you think would best meet your needs as a student. It is our aim to ensure you leave us with sufficient knowledge to make your decision wisely.

We hope that you will enjoy your online appointment with Leeds Beckett University. Do remember that an interview is a two way process and that you should treat the interview as an opportunity to ask the course team questions.

We expect that applicants are dressed appropriately for an online interview on a professional course. We would urge you to find a quiet and private space to join online.

Please do not join from a public space (such as a café or library) and let us know if this is a problem for you. Please contact the admissions team directly if you have any additional requirements e.g. due to a disability that we need to take account of on the day ucasadmissions@leedsbeckett.ac.uk

What the day will involve

The online interview process is designed to help us select applicants that are able to demonstrate the range of knowledge, attributes and experiences that will support them on the course and as a speech and language therapist. You will have the opportunity online to meet some of the university tutors, service users, carers and current students.

The selection process has a values based ethos (<http://www.nhsemployers.org/your-workforce/recruit/employer-led-recruitment/values-based-recruitment>) and in the online interview you will be assessed on your ability to demonstrate values, knowledge and commitment that are highly relevant to the speech & language therapy profession.

In addition to the selection process, you will also have the opportunity whilst online to meet members of the teaching team, hear a presentation about the course and also chat with some current students. The online interview process will span a period of three and a half hours but you will not be online for the entire time.

What happens next?

Outcome following the selection day

If you are successful following your attendance at the selection day, we will process an offer of a place on the course via your UCAS Hub account. If you are unsuccessful, we will also notify you via your UCAS Hub account. If you would like feedback following an unsuccessful decision, you should contact us at ucasadmissions@leedsbeckett.ac.uk to request this.

Accommodation

You can apply to live in University accommodation from February 2024, as long as you have selected Leeds Beckett University as your firm choice. Further details about the accommodation the University has to offer and how to apply can be found on our website:

<http://www.leedsbeckett.ac.uk/our-university/accommodation/>

Disclosure and Barring Service/Health checks

If you select Leeds Beckett University as your firm choice, we will send you further details in the summer about completing a DBS (formerly Criminal Record Bureau) enhanced check and the occupational health screening questionnaire. The health screening process will establish your immunisation status. Once you have started the course, you will receive any additional immunisations needed to comply with the requirements of healthcare professionals. If your contact details change between now and May, please ensure you advise us of this change via email to ucasadmissions@leedsbeckett.ac.uk so that we send information to the correct address.

Your results

Depending upon the conditions of your offer and the type of qualifications you are studying, your results may be sent directly to us between June and August. Alternatively, we may contact you directly to ask you to send us your results once you have received them. Once the results of your DBS check, health check and academic results have been received we will be able to consider making you an unconditional offer.

Course start

Our BSc (Hons) Speech and Language Therapy course **starts on 16th September 2024**. Induction information will be available from late summer via our online welcome website.

Useful Contact Details

Admissions

The Admissions Team is based at Headingley Campus. If you have any questions prior to or following your interview, please contact:

0113 812 3113

ucasadmissions@leedsbeckett.ac.uk

Accommodation Office

Our Accommodation Office will be pleased to assist you if you are interested in finding accommodation in Leeds for the duration of your studies. The office can be contacted as follows:

0113 812 5972

accommodation@leedsbeckett.ac.uk

<http://www.leedsbeckett.ac.uk/accommodation/>

Student Support

The University has a team of staff who can offer advice and guidance to applicants on a range of issues, including disability advice and student money advice:

<https://www.leedsbeckett.ac.uk/studenthub/student-support/>