

Credibility interviews – points to consider

Reasons for choosing course

- Benefits of this course for your chosen career path – if you aren't sure think about what you are interested in doing in the future and how study on this course will help you achieve that.
- Your prior interest in this subject – are you a member of a professional body associated with this area for example? Do you subscribe to any magazines/papers/journals etc. related to your chosen subject?
- Any previous study you have already undertaken in this subject area
- How you plan to use what you will learn on your chosen course when you return to your home country.
- International Foundation Studies / Pre-sessional English applicants: think about the course you plan to study after your foundation / English course. How will this benefit you? Think about your chosen career path.

Reasons for choosing Leeds Beckett University

- Think about what made you choose Leeds Beckett University – what particularly about our University attracted you to us?
- What research did you do into Leeds Beckett University? For example, did you research our facilities, campuses, accommodation etc?
- How will your choice of Leeds Beckett University benefit you in your chosen subject?
- Why did you choose Leeds Beckett University over other universities? Think about the research you did into other universities and how this led you to make your decision to choose Leeds Beckett as your study institution.

Reasons for choosing the UK

- Why did you choose study in the UK rather than in your home country? Think about the benefits you believe UK study has over study in your home country.
- Why did you choose study in the UK over study in another English-speaking country? Think about the benefits you feel UK education has over other English-speaking countries.
- Think about how studying in the UK will benefit you in your chosen subject.
- Think about UK life and culture – it may be useful to research aspects of it that you particularly like.

Funding your study in the UK

- Think about how you will intend to fund yourself during your studies in the UK. How will you get your funds? If your parents are funding you then think about where their funds are coming from, and how they will afford this.
- If you will be staying off campus think about how you intend to travel in to the University – can you afford to pay for frequent bus travel for example? Research into how far your intended accommodation is from campus and how much this may cost you.
- Think about any other costs that might be involved in studying in the UK (books, travel, food, hobbies etc) – make sure you are confident that you are able to support yourself financially.

Other things to think about

- If you have a gap in study be prepared to explain what you have been doing during the time since you were last in education (e.g. working). Think about how this gap will benefit you in your intended study.
- Think about your intended career path and how your chosen subject will benefit it in the future.
- Research, research, research! Be prepared to answer questions as honestly and knowledgeably as possible.