

Tips for a successful interview

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Always be on time for your interview. Never say you forgot about the interview!

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If it's a virtual interview, make sure you are ready for the call, in a quiet and distraction-free place. Verify the internet connection and the video/audio settings in advance.

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Be prepared! Think about what you want to say before the interview. Make some notes. There are always a few questions that you can expect to be asked.

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Answer the question being asked and try not to start talking about something else.

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If you don't understand you should ask, "Can you please repeat the question?"

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Take your time. Pausing before you speak is not a bad thing. People who pause before speaking can give more thoughtful answers.

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This is your opportunity to show your personality. Be natural. Be yourself.

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If you are feeling nervous, take deep breaths and speak slower. Speaking slowly will help you have more time to think about your responses. Deep breaths will relax you.

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Highlight what you have achieved, even if it is on your Admissions Application, repeat it again.

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Use examples in your answers. Say, "I am a good communicator. For example, in my class I had to...and I was able to..."

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Support your statements or answers with reasons. "I would choose... because..."

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Key phrases that make a good impression:

"I learned that..."

"The experience made me think about..."

"Something I find interesting is..."

"I am very active in..."

"One thing very important to me is..."

"I'm very motivated to study... because..."

"My personal goals are..."

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Do not hesitate to ask any question you may have at the end of the interview.

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The purpose of the interview is to get to know you better. IE University has an holistic approach meaning that the final decision will not only be based on the result of the interview so try to relax and enjoy it!