



What is medical school interview really like?

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Newcastle Medical School

How did I feel? Before and During

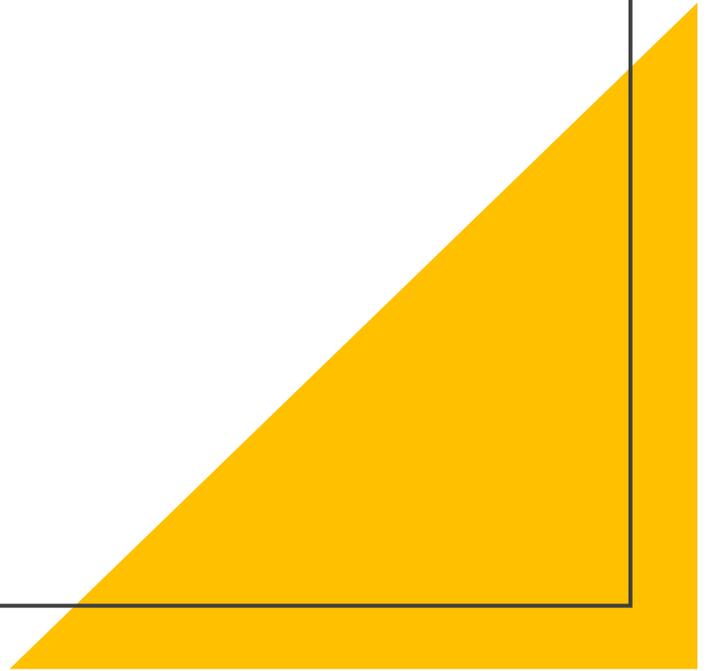
- Nervous
- Scared
- Anxious
- Am I good enough?
- Fear
- Will I answer correctly?
- What do they think of me?
- Am I speaking to fast?
- Am I saying the right thing?

How did I feel? After

- Relieved
- Happy
- Anxious
- Done all I could do
- Now the wait
- Did I do well?

Types of Medical Interviews

- Panel
- MMI
- Structured
- Semi-structured



Panel Interviews





MMI Interviews

How was my interview?

Panel at BSMS

- 3 interviewers
- Had my PS Infront of them
- Asked the typical questions, why medicine? Work experience? Qualities? Communication? About the university? Then random dilemmas and situations

MMI- Durham and Newcastle Medical School

- 7 stations
- 1 min outside, 5 mins in station, then go round
- Stations ranged from, about yourself, communication, ethical, University and extra curriculum, work experience

How to prepare?

- **P** Practice Practice
Hello!

- **R** Thank you for your UCAS application to study medicine at the Brighton & Sussex Medical School. We would like to invite you to our Admissions Interview Day at the University of Sussex Falmer Campus on:

- **R** 6 February 2016, starting at 09:30

- **R** Location: BSMS Teaching Building, University of Sussex Campus

- **N** Please let us know if you can attend as soon as possible by accepting your interview place on this admissions portal or by emailing medinterviews@bsms.ac.uk. Due to the high volume of applications, interview places are limited. There is no guarantee that we will be able to accommodate you on an alternate date if you are unable to make the one you are allocated.

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PLEASE READ TRANSPORT ATTACHMENT WITH IMPORTANT INFO ON PARKING.

We look forward to meeting you,

- **P** Regards

The BSMS Admissions Team

- Extras: interview prep courses

**Course
Structure**

**Work
experience**

Communication

**Personal
Interest**

Types of Interview questions

University

**Background
and Motivation**

Empathy

Ethics

Problem Solving

Give an example when you have played an effective role as a team member

SITUATION

TASK

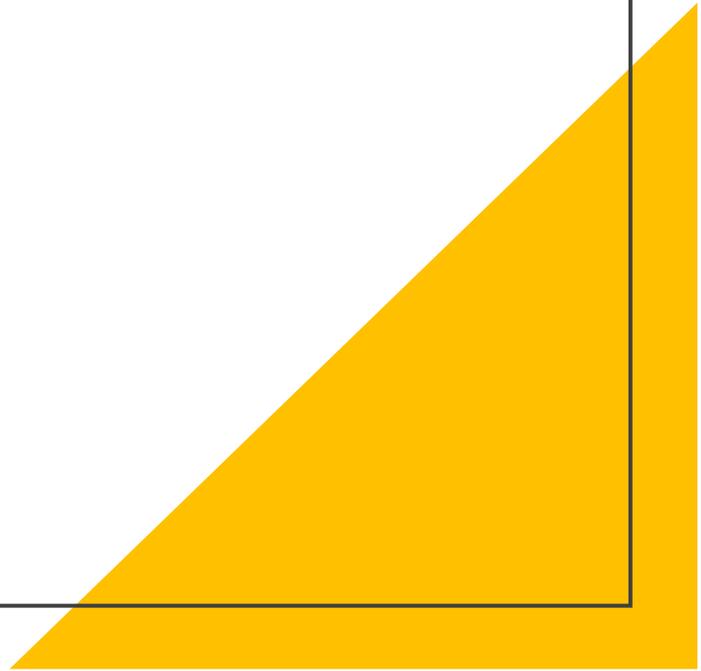
ACTION

RESULT/ REFLECTION

Do you have the personality that it takes to do medicine?

- Knowledgeable, competent and confident
- Good communicator and team player
- Hard-working, enthusiastic, motivated, disciplined

- Give a PERSONAL EXAMPLE



What is your main weakness?

- I am someone who is ambitious and I like getting involved in numerous projects in order to achieve a lot and develop new skills
 - in the past i have gotten involved in many activities because I didn't want to disappoint anyone. Which placed me in a difficult situation in which i had lots to do in a small time which sometimes were stressful
 - Occasionally i am getting better at distinguishing and realising the amount of activities that i could get involved in. I've learnt to manage people's expectation and be honest with the amount of workload.
 - Now I feel much more confident in dealing with these requests in the future. A skill that I will use while studying medicine and beyond.
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Why do you wish to study at this medical school?

Course Structure

Teaching style

Associated hospitals and population

Location/Social

- The potential opportunity to intercalate a degree with a Mres/Bsc in years 3 or 4. And the integrated structure of the course with the early ability to see patients in primary care settings and community clinics, makes the course appealing to me.
- The ability to undergo dissection sessions which provide me with the greater understanding of the human anatomy.
- The diversity and socioeconomic background of the population in this community will provide me with the ability to see a range of individuals. The access the university has towards teaching hospital in and around this area is very varied.
- Enjoy the ability to live on campus and being on a campus uni. The ability to be part of two major fundamental universities .
- The social activities provided by the MEDSOC society. How close the university is close to a beautiful and exciting city with the various links available. Are all factors that make your university more appealing.

Why do some students who qualify as doctors give up medicine and never practise?

Clinical
Academic
Management
Personal

- They find medicine too complex and there's too much learning to be done before you can have the responsibilities that some endeavour for.
- Some do not enjoy the teaching aspects of being a doctor or get frustrated when medical students are unable to work independently.
- They feel too much time is spent in meeting and on paperwork which they don't feel their expertise are always needed.
- Long hours and unsociable hours make it difficult for them to have a stable private life and the irregular patterns makes it difficult for them to plan their life.
- I am a hard worker with high ambitions and i am very determined and organised that will help me during difficult times. Focussing on the satisfying aspects of the career

If you were prime minister for the day and you have been allocated £1 million pounds for the NHS, where would you allocate it to?

- Understanding the organisation of the NHS
- Know where funding is lacking
- Know how to delegate
- Be able to give reasons and arguments for and against
- Be able to weigh up
- Be prepared to be questioned and disagreed with by interviewer

Now ask
away?
Questions?

