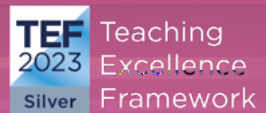


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# Social Work MA

## Interview advice





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We are very proud of our 30 year history delivering social work education at De Montfort University (DMU), and look forward to giving you a deeper insight into the course during your interview.

On the following pages you will find lots of useful information and advice to enable you to prepare for your interview to help make the experience as useful and positive as it can be.

## Your interview

**University interviews are often a new experience for applicants and we want to ensure that when you apply to De Montfort University (DMU) you are given the most useful information to make the experience an enjoyable one.**

### Why do we interview?

Our interviews are designed not only for us to assess your suitability for the course, but also for you to make sure you are choosing the right course for you. Universities interview in particular for courses where a specific skill set is required, or where the course leads to a regulated profession.

**Your interview will be used as part of the selection process to determine whether you will be made an offer.**

### What will happen on the day?

You will receive information ahead of your interview on how to connect with us on Microsoft Teams (MS Teams), and will then be supported through the process by our academics. The interview will consist of a set of interview questions that will assess your attitudes, beliefs and values, as well as provide you with an opportunity to demonstrate your interest and commitment to the course. The interview will take no longer than 30 minutes to complete.

Scores will be combined at the end of the interview and are a values-based means of recruitment to assess your attitudes, beliefs and academic ability.

### Visit us to find out more

To find out more about the course, and to speak to our academic staff and current students, please join us at a postgraduate event. Visit: [dmu.ac.uk/pgevents](https://dmu.ac.uk/pgevents)

You need to be able to demonstrate that you understand what the course/career entails, but you will not be expected to have a detailed understanding of technical topics. The discussions will give you the opportunity to demonstrate the skills needed by a postgraduate Social Work student. Some of these skills might be:

- The ability to use information to construct your own opinion
- Willingness and the ability to analyse
- Problem solving skills
- Good communication and interpersonal skills.





## Don't forget...

- To conduct yourself professionally and dress smartly
- To ensure that your laptop/computer and phone are fully charged and you have access to a power supply
- To make sure you have tested your equipment to ensure it works and that you have a quiet space for your MS Teams interview to take place
- To have a read of our course pages to help you prepare for and anticipate interview questions.

### During the interview...

- Remember that you have been invited to the interview as you have already shown potential so try to relax, smile and be confident
- Listen and consider your responses, try to ensure that you are not just giving yes/no answers
- If you don't understand a question, don't guess, politely ask the interviewer to rephrase or clarify
- Be enthusiastic – admissions tutors will be looking for applicants who share their enthusiasm for the subject.

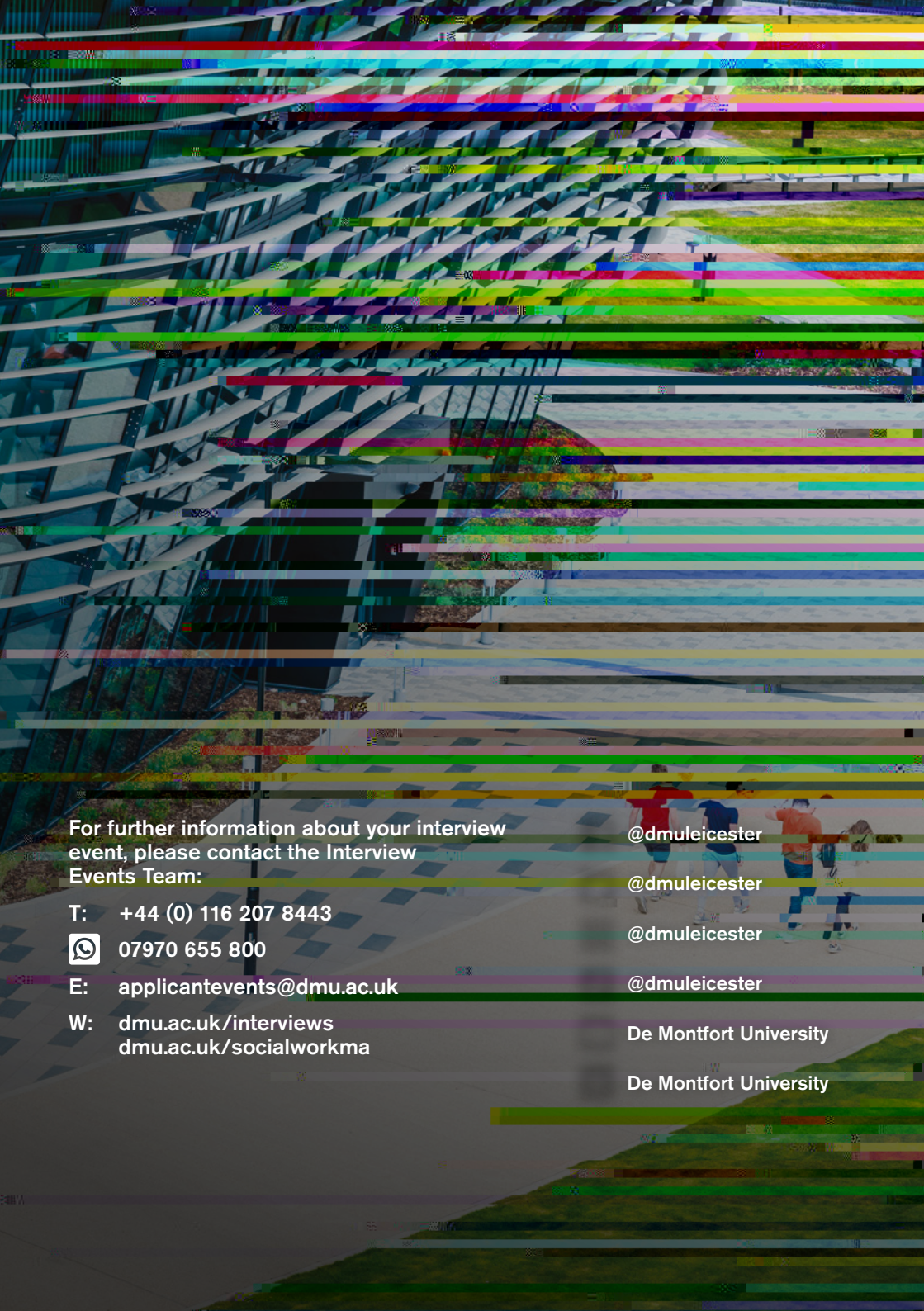
## Interview checklist

### You will need to:

- Have a pen and paper with you
- Have one form of photo identification to show during your interview (for example passport or driving license).

### Additional support

We endeavour to make all our events completely accessible. However, if you have any specific requirements or require additional support, please inform the Interview Events Team via email: [applicantevents@dmu.ac.uk](mailto:applicantevents@dmu.ac.uk) or call



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