**KUIC Allied Health Professions Interview Guide**

1. **Personal Statement**

The scoring system used in Physiotherapy and radiography looks for the personal statement and academic references to include the following:

* **Reference highlights suitability for profession**
* **Coherent personal statement**
* **Health related work experience**
* **Interest (extra-curricular activities)**
* **Leadership**
* **Teamwork**
* **Understanding of the profession**
* **Evidence of the 6C’s**

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**A1. Work Experience**

* Not all students get work experience within the field they wish to study.
* Many hospitals and clinics now have much stricter privacy and confidentiality agreements in place that prevent students observing
* Ideally observing a clinician is the ‘gold’ standard
* Experience should link to the 6C’s so any caring roles or volunteer work with individuals with disabilities can count.

Examples of Adequate Work Experience

* Caring for a sibling or family member with a disability.
* Volunteer experience with a charity that works with the vulnerable (Adults or Children)
* Employment experience of supporting individuals with specialist needs.

**A2. Supplementary Knowledge**

* **Charted Society of Physiotherapy**

[www.csp.org.uk](http://www.csp.org.uk)

* **Society of Radiographers**

 [www.sor.org](http://www.sor.org)

* **Alumni and current students**
1. **Interview Process**

Interview offered on basis of grades and scoring (Veracity of personal experience, understanding of profession, situational judgement)

**Multiple Mini Interviews**

MMI follows a Values Based Recruitment model across a number of testing stations testing each of the required needed of a health professional

There can be a number of different stations, included ranging from up to 4 in physiotherapy to up to 12 in medicine.

Stations for physiotherapy may include (model also used in radiography):

* **Understanding the profession**
* **Motivation for being a physiotherapist**
* **Scenario - challenging situations**
* **Scenario – challenges of student life**
* **Understanding personal attributes of a physiotherapist**
* **Understanding professionalism**

**Useful tips**

**Research the course**

**Programme website**

<https://www.keele.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/undergraduatecourses/physiotherapy/>

https://www.keele.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/undergraduatecourses/radiographydiagnosticimaging/

**Interview Guidance**

<https://www.keele.ac.uk/interview-guidance/>

**Research the profession**

* Explore the speciality area and job roles/opportunities
* Explore professional body requirements
* Consider ethics

**KUIC Allied Health Professions Personal Statement Template**

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| **Name** | **Student ID** | **Degree Course (Please Delete)** |
|  |  | Physiotherapy / Radiography (Diagnostic Imaging) |

Your personal statement must be **submitted via Studylink** no later than **48 hours** prior to your admissions interview and will form part of the discussion within the interview.

**Failure to submit** the personal statement by the required deadline will automatically **cancel** the interview.

Due to the highly competitive nature of the course, the college and Keele University **may not** be able to reschedule the interview.

Please answer the below questions fully.

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| 1. **Why do you want to study your chosen healthcare profession?**

**(Please specify the course you wish to study at the top of the form).** |
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| 1. **Specifically, why do you want a career in your chosen healthcare profession?**

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| 1. **What healthcare related academic, volunteering and / or work experience (internship or shadowing) do you have already and how will that help you in your field of choice? (Please provide details and relate to your chosen healthcare programme).**
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| 1. **What skills, attitudes, values, and character traits do you possess to make you a suitable candidate for your chosen healthcare profession?**

**(Please note that transferrable skills can also be considered).** |
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| 1. **Why do you want to study your chosen programme at KUIC and Keele University?**
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**Reminder:** Submit the statement via **Studylink**.