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Interview Information
BSc (Hons) Healthcare Science

Thank you for your application to study Healthcare Science. As part of our recruitment process we invite applicants to attend an interview and review a series of scenarios which will be discussed during the interview (scenarios are provided at the end of this letter).

Interviews will be conducted via Microsoft Teams therefore please ensure that you are familiar with how to use Microsoft Teams prior to your interview.

The interview will last approximately 20 minutes and will be undertaken by a member of the lecturing team and a practicing Biomedical Scientist/Healthcare Scientist who is involved in student training. The structured interview is designed to assess your values as a potential future NHS employee therefore we are looking for candidates with a genuine interest and commitment to the profession. Please refer to the scenarios on the following page.

You can find the date of your interview on your UCAS Hub, and you will also be sent a Microsoft Teams invitation by email several days before the interview is due to take place. The email invitation will tell you the time of your interview and who the interviewers are. It will also provide weblinks to a Course Talk and other information about the programme and the university.

During the interview we encourage you to ensure that both your video and your sound remain on at all times as this enables a more engaged environment for both yourself and us as interviewees.

If you are able to attend the date given, please confirm via www.ucas.com/students as soon as possible. If you are unable to attend and would like to request an alternative date, please email newstudent_interviews@cardiffmet.ac.uk Alternatively, you can contact Admissions directly on 029 2041 6010. Unfortunately we cannot consider applicants who are unable to attend the interview.

Any particular learning needs should be clearly indicated in advance so that the necessary arrangements can be made. If you would like your interview through the medium of Welsh please inform us in advance so the necessary arrangements can be made.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Victoria Bradley". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

Dr. Victoria Bradley
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In preparation for your upcoming interview for the Healthcare Science degree programme please consider the following scenarios.

It's 5 years from now, you gained a place on the Healthcare Science degree programme, graduated successfully and are now working in an NHS Wales pathology laboratory.

Scenario 1

Your neighbour, Mrs Smith, tells you she is worried about a blood test she had at the GP surgery a few days ago, do you;

- A) Tell her there is nothing to worry about, they'd have phoned if there was anything wrong
- B) Advise her to contact her GP practice to talk about her test as they will be able to explain the result and advise on any treatment which may be required
- C) Tell her you'll look up her test today in work and tell her the results when you get home this evening.

Scenario 2

You bump into your Uncle Bob in the car park at the hospital in which you work, do you;

- A) Go over and say hello, asking why he is here
- B) Go home and telephone your Mum to say you saw Uncle Bob at the hospital
- C) Say hello, and go about your business

Scenario 3

You are in the middle of performing an urgent test on a premature baby, there is insufficient sample to repeat the test on another occasion. The fire alarm sounds, do you;

- A) Carry on with what you are doing until the test is complete
- B) Immediately stop what you are doing and exit the building
- C) Ask a colleague if they know where the fire is

Scenario 4

You make a mistake which will mean the wrong test results will be sent out, this will have a direct impact on patient treatment, do you;

- A) Pretend you haven't noticed and let someone else sort it out
- B) Attempt to cover up your mistake
- C) Immediately inform your supervisor and get support to rectify the mistake

Scenario 5

You are asked to perform a test you are unsure of and haven't been trained to do, do you;

- A) Perform the test as you think it should be done
- B) Follow the instructions provided although not confident with what you should do
- C) Explain that you are unsure of how to do the test and ask to be shown how to do it