

Interviews for Engineering/Industrial Design

General questions

Tell us about your A-levels

What sort of results do you expect?

Why did you choose to apply here?

What do you hope to do during your year out?

Besides your course, how do you spend your time?

Tell us about the field courses you have been on.

Course/subject specific questions

- 1 When did you first become interested in the idea of studying engineering?
- 2 What made you interested in engineering?
- 3 What sort of engineering are you most interested in? Why are you particularly interested in engineering?
- 4 Thank you for bringing along your portfolio of design work and projects. Which project/piece of work gave you most interest/satisfaction? Why? Talk us through it.
- 5 Looking back, how might you have tackled that project differently?
- 6 What experience have you of engineering, through work experience/Young Engineers Clubs
- 7 Thinking about your work experience/part-time job, if we made you manager for a week, what would you want to change? Are there methods/processes which you think could be done in a better way?
- 8 How good are your IT skills?
- 9 What experience have you got of making presentations to people about projects?

Questions you might ask

How easy is it to change subjects/options after the first year?

What is your attitude to students having a year out before taking this course?

What have previous graduates from this course gone on to do?

Does the course involve any professional qualifications?

Are there any opportunities for/who arranges the work placements in the third year?

How important is the coursework element?

How is that coursework assessed?

How far is the practical work integrated with the theory?

Items you might take along or be asked to take along

Recent essays [marked]

Portfolio of practical work Fieldwork notebooks