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### Introduction

All applicants to the Photography in the Arts and Photojournalism courses at UWTSD Swansea are required to have an interview.

This interview is carried out in order for us to find out if you are right for the course, but also for you to find out if the course is right for you. As well as being an opportunity for us to see your work and ask you questions, it is also an important opportunity for you to see our facilities and ask us any questions.



# What do I need to bring to my interview?

Please bring a portfolio of your work, which will be viewed and discussed during the interview. There are no set requirements for what your portfolio needs to include, but ideally we would like to see a minimum of 15-20 images.

It is also important to bring any research, workbooks or visual diaries – even if they are incomplete/works in progress - as it is important for us to see how your ideas are developed.



# What will you be looking for at my interview?

The most important thing that we will expect to see at your interview is a strong passion and enthusiasm for photography. You will be expected to be able to talk about your portfolio of work, what inspired it and the process that you undertook to achieve the end result.

As well as this, we will be looking for technical and creative ability evidenced in your portfolio. In some circumstances, if we feel that you would be good for the course but we have not seen enough evidence of your practical work, you may be asked after the interview to produce a further portfolio of work in order to secure your offer.

## How long will my interview last?

Your interview will last around 20 minutes, but in most cases you will also be given a tour of our facilities prior to the interview. Please also note that as we often interview many applicants in the same session, other applicants may be interviewed before you.

If you have to make travel arrangements, please do not hesitate to contact us for a more specific time.

# I live a long way from Swansea, can I arrange a Skype interview?

Although it is to your advantage to visit the faculty for the interview, we understand that in certain circumstances this is not possible, and we may be able to offer Skype interviews in these instances.

For Skype interviews, we will need to take a look at your work online. This can be in the form of, for example, a website, blog, or files on a hosting site (e.g. Flickr, WeTransfer.com).

If you wish to arrange a Skype interview please do not hesitate to contact us.

### Where can I get more information on the courses?

You can visit http://www.photography-swansea.com for more information on our photography courses. You

can also add our Facebook pages, listed below, to keep up to date with the latest news and events from the courses.

www.facebook.com/photographyintheartsswansea www.facebook.com/photojournalismswansea

You can also get more information at http://www.artswansea.com or through the main university website at http://www.tsd.ac.uk.



# Where can I get more information about accommodation, fees and bursaries?

Information about our accommodation services can be found at the following page: http://www.smu.ac.uk/index.php/potentialstudents/accommodation/for-students

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