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Masterclasses – Personal Statement and Research Proposals

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Writing Personal Statements and Preparing Research proposals can be daunting. Prepare yourself and learn directly from UK universities.

Webinar #1: Top tips for effective personal statements for UG/PG applicants

Date: Monday 1 February 2021

Time: 14.30 – 15.30

Presenter: Mrs Mikaela Green, International Recruitment Officer, University of Derby

Presentation content:

- What is a personal statement
- Length and content
- How to adapt your personal statement to the courses you apply for
- Top tips on how to stand out from the crowd and perfect your personal statement
- Advice from students

Presenter profile:

I have worked for the University of Derby since 2010; in my current role where I help international students with the whole journey from application to the day

they join us, and previously where I looked after international students during their studies at Derby and up until graduation. I originally moved to England from my home country Sweden in 2007 when I began my studies on the BA (Hons) Event Management programme; I have studied at an international school and gone through the UCAS application process.

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Webinar #2: Preparing effective research proposals to jumpstart your research career

Date: Monday 1 February 2021

Time: 17.30 – 18.30

Presenter: Dr Patryk Kot, Reader in Sensor Technologies, Liverpool John Moores University

Presentation content:

- Why do you want to undertake a PhD study?
- Review the eligibility criteria for the PhD scholarship application
- Identify the research problem/challenge
- Highlight the contribution to the knowledge/novelty of the proposed research
- Include any potential impact of research outcomes
- Set the aim and objectives for proposed project
- Provide detailed methodology/ approach on how the study will be conducted
- Create Gantt chart to demonstrate the timeframe for research activities, dissemination etc.

Presenter Profile:

Dr Patryk Kot graduated from Liverpool John Moores University with a BSc (Hons) in Computer Technology, MSc (Eng) in Microelectronic Systems Design and a PhD entitled “The feasibility of using EM waves in determining the moisture content and factors effecting measurements in building fabrics”, completed in 2017. From 2016, he worked as a Research Assistant within the Built Environment and Sustainable Technologies (BEST) Research Institute working on Healthcare sensor technologies, underwater sensing and energy from waste. In 2017, he became a Senior Lecturer at Liverpool John Moores University within the Civil Engineering department. In 2019, he became a Reader in Sensor technologies whilst leading multiple externally funded research projects in structural health monitoring, material characterisation and healthcare. His area of expertise involves development and testing of novel NDT sensors for structural health monitoring and determination of foreign substances/contaminations on various materials using microwave spectroscopy.

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