

PRE-CAS PREPARATION

Please refer to the below tips:

When you're answering the Pre-CAS interview questions, you need to structure your answers in a personalized and clear approach while focusing on the course modules.

Please follow the below-mentioned simple and defined structure for your answers:

PEE Technique: You need to use this technique while preparing your answers. It stands for – 'Point, Evidence, Explanation.

- **Point:** This should be one thing you want to say.
- **Evidence:** This should be one or more examples to back up the point you have made. It could include quotes, sources of information, statistics, charts, and scientific information. The evidence you present should be from a credible and reliable source. You should be able to cite where you have obtained your evidence and the date when the information was originally published.
- **Explanation:** This is where you explain your point, develop evidence, and link back to the question.

Additional Tips:

- Provide a minimum of 3 best points per answer
- Do not just name the modules, kindly explain at least 3 modules in 2 to 3 lines for each.
- Personalized answers with a focus on academics as you are planning to apply for a student visa
- Watch the interview videos [here](#)
- Ensure information is accurate and supported by sources.
- You must complete the interview within 48 hours of the Enrolly Interview Invite Link being sent.
- Please remember to not talk too fast.
- Do not repeat your words or statements.
- Good Internet, Connectivity, Closed area, and Well Lit
- Do not use cellphones for PCI via Enrolly
- Please prefer to use Firefox or Chrome browser.
- Please ensure to create a logical link between your previous qualification or experience to the course you have applied for and eventually with your future.
- Mention any number like the cost of travel or fees in Great Britain Pounds.
- Enrolly uses vocal analysis to ensure it is you completing the interview.
- Please hold your passport next to your face and clearly state your full name & date of birth. So that we can confirm your identity, please ensure to remove any glasses, hat, etc., and that

you are in a room with adequate lighting throughout the interview. Get your passport photo page or ID photo ready and click "Start Now" to skip the countdown.

Below are questions for preparation

1. Why have you decided to study in the UK and not in your home country or any other country?

- **What was your inspiration to choose the UK as your study destination?**
- **What other study destinations did you consider and why did you choose the UK?**
- **Why are you excited about studying in the UK?**
- **Why did you choose the UK as your study destination?**

Please cover the below points in your answer (Mandatory):

- Academic Related
- Differences in Educational System
- Using accurate statistics and sources of info known what attracted you to choose the UK.
- Standard of Education
- Duration & Cost- Mention the Fees and specify the duration and do not provide generic statements. Use the names of the other countries and the names of the respective education institutes while stating the comparison.

2. What course did you apply to study and why have you chosen to study this course at UEL?

- **Why have you chosen to study at UEL?**
 - **What are the reasons that made you consider and apply to UEL? Please provide at least 3 reasons.**
 - **What made you choose UEL? Ensure to provide a detailed explanation.**
 - **What do you know about UEL and why did you choose this university?**
- Name the course you've applied to study at UEL and explain at least 3 modules in 2 to 3 lines each of the course.
 - Ranking along with the source of the ranking like Times University Guide, Guardian University guide. If other universities are ranked higher, why did you decide not to study at a higher-ranked university? Explain what factors were important to you and talk about any research you did before you applied to any other Universities before applying to UEL.

- Look at other universities – course comparison
- Personal reasons by the student like its teaching resources, academic proficiency, faculty, alumni, laboratory, facilities, location, accommodation, and other distinguishing factors that should be relevant to an international student. Students choose their university for a range of reasons, from academic quality to the location of the campus, to positive experiences of family or friends.

3. What other UK universities did you research for the course you have applied for? What made those options less attractive than studying at the University of East London?

- Name two other Universities that you considered and what was the main reason for choosing UEL instead of these other institutions?
 - What are the similarities and differences between the Universities you have considered applying to and us? Ensure to name the other institutions you have applied for.
 - Which other universities did you consider? Give us at least 3 reasons for choosing us as a university compared to other institutions you have applied to.
 - How did you select this university? Please name two other universities that you applied to and why you chose not to select them.
- Kindly find out the unique modules that UEL is providing and is not being provided at the other 2-3 Universities that you will mention during the comparison. Then explain those unique modules in 2 to 3 lines and link them with your future plans and job title.
 - Provide other supplementary reasons for why not choosing any other University like assessment criteria, teaching pedagogy, location, fee structure, scholarship, etc. Do a thorough research on the other universities and do a course comparison.

4. In detail, explain how you expect this course you will be studying at UEL to help you succeed with your 5-year career plan.

- Is the course you are applying to at UEL linked to your career 5-year plan?
- What is the last course you have completed? Is it in line with your current application and future career plans?
- In detail, explain how you expect this course you will be studying at UEL to help you succeed with your 5-year career plan?

- What is the last course you have completed? Is it in line with your current application and future career plans?
- Intention to come back to your home country. Outline the various steps to your ideal job, in relation to the course you have applied for and how the university will foster your development.
- Explain the future job title (One single job Title) and then job description in 2 to 3 lines.
- Please link the modules with job description that is the knowledge or skill set that you will gain from these modules which will help you build your candidature for that mention job title.
- Mention the name of 2 to 3 companies where you would like to work at the above job title.
- Mention the expected salary at that job title.
- Just listing your goals will not make a strong case for you, you need to explain in detail how you meet them. You need to explain what skill and knowledge you will gain that are specific to your course that will benefit you towards achieving your aspirations and show your ambitions. Talk enthusiastically about your realistic short and long-term goals.

5. Living in the UK?

- What Plans do you have in terms of accommodation while studying?
- Which University campus have you decided to accommodate?
- What kind of accommodation you are planning to avail of during the course you are pursuing at UEL?
- What Research have you done on the cost of living in the UK?
- How much accommodation costs per month?
- Journey duration & Costs of the everyday commute
- Full Address with Pin Code Explain where you will live in the UK and have your research done well in advance.

6. Please explain your last qualification, what you have been doing since graduating and why you would like to study the course you have applied for now.

- What course/degree program have you completed most recently? How are your previous studies related to your current course and future career?
- Can you tell me about your recent studies and/or work positions? What are the reasons for going back to full-time education?
- What is the level of your latest course and which subjects were part of the program? Is what you are applying for related to your previous studies?
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➤ Provide chronological explanation since last qualification using MM/YYYY for the duration.

➤ Ensure to provide relevance with the course. Explain what you were doing during this time and skills you have gained that will help you in your studies and long-term career plans. It's important to get the facts straight when you're listing your work experience so that the interviewer won't think that you are misrepresenting the facts. Make sure you know the exact date of your qualifications and jobs, qualification names, job titles, company names, your roles and responsibilities etc. When explaining your education/employment history it is best to do so in date order, starting with the oldest first. Ideally, it shows the progression of your education and employment history clearly.

➤ Good reasoning for same level study that is how this course will help you in addition to the previous course in achieving your future plans. If you're going for the same level of education, provide a well-researched explanation for the same.

7. How is the course you have applied to study at UEL related to your previous qualifications and/or work experience?

- If you completed your last period of studies more than one year ago, please outline what you have been doing since then and why you have now decided to return to full-time education? If you are a recent graduate, please note your latest course completion date.
- What is the level of your latest course and which subjects were part of the program? Is what you are applying for related to your previous studies?

- Have you graduated recently? If so, when was the end date of your course? If you have been employed since, please name your current occupation, and explain why you are applying for this course.
 - Can you tell me about your recent studies and/or work positions? What are the reasons for going back to full-time education?
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8. Why is having a placement important to you? How will it benefit you in the future?

- How will your future be impacted by the one-year placement you have applied for and why is it important?
 - How useful do you think your international work experience will be? And why would it be important?
 - Why is choosing a placement year important to you? How would it benefit you in the future?
 - You have chosen to apply for a placement year as well, why do you think it's important and how would it help you in your future endeavours?
- The importance of doing a placement from an academic perspective is how it will benefit you academically

9. What are your expectations of the UK's student support services and resources?

- When considering student support services and resources in the UK, expect comprehensive academic, career, wellness, and diversity support, accommodation assistance, financial aid guidance, disability services, and opportunities for student engagement to enhance your academic and personal growth.

10. How does this university's reputation and ranking influence your decision to study here?

In considering a university's reputation and ranking, one should keep several key factors in mind. These include the institution's:

- Academic Excellence: A strong reputation often signifies a commitment to rigorous academic standards.
- Career Opportunities: Reputable universities typically offer strong industry connections and valuable job prospects.
- Quality of Faculty: Renowned scholars and experienced professors can enhance the learning experience.
- Research Opportunities: Highly ranked universities often provide access to cutting-edge research projects.
- Global Recognition: A good reputation can boost the global recognition of one's degree.
- Networking and Alumni: Reputable institutions have strong alumni networks, providing valuable connections and career support.

These factors can significantly influence one's decision to pursue studies at a particular university.

11. What type of accommodation are you planning to live in while studying at the University?

Determining the type of accommodation that best suits your needs while studying at the University of East London (UEL) is an essential aspect of planning for your academic journey. UEL offers several accommodation options that cater to different preferences and requirements. Some of these accommodation types include:

- On-Campus Residences: Convenient, close to academic facilities, fostering a vibrant student community.
- Off-Campus Housing: Offers more independence and flexibility in location and amenities.
- Private Rented Accommodation: Provides autonomy and privacy, allowing for a personalized living space.
- Homestays: Immersive cultural experience, fostering language practice and cultural exchange.
- Student Halls and Shared Flats: Encourage social interactions and create a supportive peer network.

When choosing accommodation, consider location, budget, lifestyle, and proximity to campus and local amenities. Explore the support services available for each option to make an informed decision that suits your needs at the University of East London.

12. What are the consequences if you breach UKVI rules around working?

Breaching the UK Visa and Immigration (UKVI) rules around working can have serious legal implications and may result in various consequences, including

- Revocation of Visa: If you are found to be in violation of the UKVI rules on working, your visa may be revoked, leading to potential deportation from the country and restrictions on re-entering the UK in the future.
- Legal Action: Breaching the UKVI rules may lead to legal action, including fines, penalties, and potential criminal charges, depending on the severity of the violation and the circumstances surrounding the case.
- Impact on Future Immigration Applications: A breach of UKVI rules may adversely affect any future immigration applications or visa extensions, as it can significantly undermine your credibility and compliance with immigration regulations.
- Employer Penalties: Employers who knowingly hire individuals in violation of the UKVI rules may face severe penalties, including fines, legal action, and potential restrictions on their ability to sponsor visas for future employees.
- Damaged Reputation: Being involved in a breach of the UKVI rules can tarnish your reputation and credibility, impacting your professional and personal standing within the UK and potentially globally.

It is crucial to fully understand and adhere to the UKVI rules and regulations concerning working conditions as stipulated by your specific visa category. If you have any uncertainties or concerns about your eligibility to work in the UK, seeking guidance from the appropriate authorities or legal professionals can help you navigate the complexities of immigration laws and avoid any potential violations.

13. What financial challenges do you expect to encounter during your studies and how do you plan to address them?

- Have you checked how much it costs to live where your university is, and how has this changed your budget? Tell us more about your funding

This answer differs in every case of every other applicant. For a better understanding of finance refer to the following data.

- According to UKVI (UK Visa and Immigration) requirements, the costs that a student may have while studying in London might vary based on things including the degree

of study, the institution, lifestyle choices, and personal circumstances. To help you estimate the costs, the UKVI offers some broad recommendations on the financial criteria for applications for student visas. It's important to verify the most recent information on the official UK government website as these recommendations are subject to change. Here are some key financial requirements for a tier 4 general student visa application:

- Tuition Fees: You must demonstrate that you have the financial resources necessary to pay for your course's first year's tuition. The precise sum will vary based on your course and school.
- Living Costs: You must provide proof that you have enough money to pay for your living expenses while enrolled in a course in the UK. The required amount varies according to where you live and how long your course is. The UKVI offers a fixed sum as a general guideline for living expenses. The monthly cost of living in London is £1,529. For a nine-month period, the total cost would be £13,761. To account for potential currency fluctuations, we recommend adding a £500 surplus.
- Immigration Health Surcharge (IHS): You may need to pay the IHS, which provides you access to the UK's National Health Service. The cost of the IHS depends on the duration of your visa and any dependents you may have.
- Miscellaneous Expenses: You should also have funds available for one-time expenses, such as visa application fees, travel costs, and initial setup expenses such as required rentals.

14. How familiar are you with the rules and regulations related to working on a student visa in the UK?

- According to the regulations set by the UK government for students holding a Tier 4 (General) student visa, international students are allowed to work part-time for up to 20 hours per week during term time and full-time during holidays or university vacation periods.
- However, there are certain restrictions on the types of employment or activities they can engage in. These restrictions include not using the work to fund their studies, not being involved in any business activities or self-employment, and not taking up roles as professional coaches, sports persons, or entertainers.
- Students need to adhere to these guidelines to ensure compliance with their visa regulations and to avoid any potential legal complications during their studies in the UK.

Personalised Questions

1. Did you consider living with roommates or housemates, and why did you choose this option or decide against it?
2. Which places in the UK are on your list to visit during your time off from studies, and what interests you about them?
3. Did you consider living with roommates or housemates, and why did you choose this option or decide against it?
4. What does your dream day look like? If you didn't have to sleep, what would you do with the extra time?
5. Can you tell us about a time when you faced a significant academic challenge and how did you overcome it?
6. What is the one country in the world you would love to visit and why?
7. What types of cuisine or food do you enjoy, and are there any British dishes you are excited to try while studying in the UK?
8. How would you describe yourself?
9. If you could win an Olympic medal for any sport, real or fake, what would it be and Why?
10. Could you share a memorable travel experience or describe an interesting place you have visited in the past and what you learned from it?

➤ The answer to these questions needs to be structured according to your personal experience and should be detailed