**Department of Psychology**

**Postgraduate Application: Interview Report**

*Interviews should be approximately 30 minutes, and in person or by skype or zoom (telephone interviews are acceptable if skype or zoom is not possible). Please ensure that the applicant is aware that the interview is not a contract of offer with the applicant. Only the Postgraduate Admissions Office can make the formal offer and applicants MUST meet any conditions by the relevant deadlines in order to be admitted. Interview reports provide useful information for the Admissions Team and can be useful in making a case for funding.*

**Candidate Name:**

**Course Applied for:**

**Prospective supervisor:**

**Date and time of interview:**

**Type of interview: In person/ skype/ zoom/ telephone**

**Interviewed by:**

**Interviewer declarations**

You can interview only if you are familiar with the Postgraduate Admissions interview policy found here: <https://www.psychol.cam.ac.uk/files/postgraduate-admissions-interviews-policy-v.1.0.pdf>

Please confirm that you are familiar with the Postgraduate Admissions interview policy:

Yes / No.

You can only interview if have successfully completed the University’s training on [Data](https://training.cam.ac.uk/course/cppd-dataprot)

[Protection](https://training.cam.ac.uk/course/cppd-dataprot) and any training identified as mandatory for new staff under the University’s [Dignity at Work](https://www.hr.admin.cam.ac.uk/policies-procedures/dignity-work-policy-2023-ed) policy.

Please confirm that you have completed the required training: Yes / No.

**Interview assessment**

1. Please confirm that you have confirmed the identity of the interviewee, optimally against a photographic ID:
	1. Confirmed against a photographic ID
	2. Confirmed otherwise - Comment on how:
	3. Could not confirm.
2. Describe your impression of the candidate (with particular reference to intelligence, intellectual ability and application?). How did they perform at interview?
3. Please comment on whether the candidate has the appropriate skills/knowledge base for the proposed research course? Does the student have an undergraduate or Master’s degree in Psychology? If not, but they have a degree in a related subject area, are they willing to undergo training to provide a foundation in psychology?
4. Assess whether the candidate has a reasonable comprehension of what the proposed research course entails?
5. Please comment on the research proposal and discussion of it in the interview:
6. Please comment on any special contextual considerations (e.g. prizes/awards for outstanding academic performance, clear upward trajectory, original/creative/independent thought, specialist skills, already published papers etc).
7. A) If relevant, please confirm whether the applicant has agreed to discuss widening participation (WP) characteristics on the pre-interview form: Yes / No.

B) If yes, has the adversity or disadvantage faced by the applicant impacted on their previous studies, decisions or achievements as relevant to this application?

1. Please note any training needs you have identified:
2. Does the candidate wish to apply for GATES Trust?

If yes, please comment on whether they demonstrate (avoid yes/no answers please)

1. Outstanding intellectual ability?
2. Leadership Potential?
3. A commitment to improving the lives of others?
4. A good fit between the applicant's qualifications, aspirations, and the postgraduate programme at Cambridge for which they are applying?
5. Does the candidate’s research fit with the remit of the ESRC (study of society and the manner in which people behave)?
6. Please comment on the applicant’s level of English

Academic:

Social:

1. Any other comments?

On the basis of the written work and the interview, and bearing in mind that Principal Supervisors should support no more than 4 applicants per year, would you now recommend:

1. **Acceptance – strongly support application**
2. **Acceptance – with reservations (please explain)**
3. **Rejection**