

Preparation Notes for PLC Interviews

Prior to Your Interview

- Print off an **outline of the course** – have an idea of the various modules taught.
- Think about **what you will do after the course** – (remember most PLC courses are one year in duration).

Sample Interview Questions (think about your responses)

1. Tell us a little bit about yourself?

Number of siblings in family, position in family, pastimes, hobbies, interests

2. How well prepared do you think you are for the Leaving Certificate?

Set myself targets/grades, have been working consistently over the past two years, have followed a detailed study/revision and confident that things will go well in June.

3. Have you undertaken any work experience/a part-time job? What have you learned about yourself from this experience?

Relate well to other staff/customers, cope well under pressure, further developed my IT Skills, listening skills.

4. What are your main strengths?

Communication/ People Skills – relate to people of all ages

Organisational Skills – diligent, hard-working

Creative – art/music/dance/drama

IT Skills – ECDL/ basic programming

Embrace challenges/new learning experiences

5. Why have you applied for this course?

Interested in this area, good variety of modules on offer, course has built in work placement, feel it will prepare me prior to committing to a three/four year degree course.

6. What do you hope to do after completing this course?

Apply to a University or IT to further my studies. Seek full-time employment.

7. Where would you like to see yourself in 5 years time?

Qualified in a particular area, in full-time employment, travel abroad

8. Any questions for us about the course?

How is the work placement organised? By college or myself.

What areas/college courses have recent students embarked on having completed this course?

Is there any preparation you would advise, if fortunate to be offered a place on your course.

Best of Luck!

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