

*Some advices on interview*

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## *What do interviewers want to know?*

- *Are you prepared (for the interview and exchange)? Are you sincere? <http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/sci/ssep/>*
- *What are your strengths and weaknesses? (language skills, maturity, characters, ...)*
- *Why you want to join an exchange program?*
- *What image will you project as a CUHK representative?*
- *How will you/CUHK be benefited?*
- *Why you?*

## *Some common pitfalls*

- *Poor preparation – do you know what you are getting into?*
- *Recitation of ‘model answers’*
- *No clear idea of what one (you!) wants to get/do*
- *Self-centered: only knows what himself/herself wants*
- *Lack of sincerity and honesty – don't try to hide behind model answers*
- *‘Bookworm’ image*
- *Immature, too dependent, lack of confidence*
- *Lack of communication skills (not just language)*

## *Some more advices from an old man*

- *Take this as an opportunity to think through what you want to do/be*
- *Exercise: be your own interviewer!*
- *Critically examine your strengths/weaknesses*
- *Critically examine your motivation*
- *Critically examine your plan/direction*
- *Are you driven by yourself? Or are you just following others' footsteps/expectations?*

# *Resources*

<http://www.ilc.cuhk.edu.hk/english/index1a.asp>

<http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/sci/ssep/>

<http://jobsearch.about.com/cs/interviews/a/jobinterviewtip.htm>