

**Doctors Academy Speciality  
Trainee 3 (Plastic Surgery)  
Interview Preparation Course**



**Feedback - March 2017**

## Doctors Academy Speciality Trainee 3 (Plastic Surgery) Interview Preparation Course

This highly interactive intensive course was specifically aimed at candidates applying to this year's Plastic Surgery ST3 Interviews. The course featured a series of interactive lectures and real-life simulation stations covering:

- o The structure of the interview process.
- o Portfolios.
- o Comprehensive coverage of common clinical scenarios.
- o Audit and research.
- o Management and leadership.
- o Communication and presentation skills.
- o Personal feedback.

Delegates were given the opportunity to receive one-to-one CV and portfolio preparation advice and guidance from Registrars who have recently undertaken the interview process and who have successfully obtained a national training number in Plastic Surgery. Structure and delivery is key, and this course aimed to provide delegates with a platform and the techniques required to excel in the interviews.

### Course Information

<b>Course date:</b>	<b>25<sup>th</sup> March 2017</b>
<b>Venue:</b>	<b>Postgraduate Education Centre Manchester Royal Infirmary Manchester</b>
<b>Attendance:</b>	<b>13 Delegates</b>
<b>Aimed at:</b>	<b>Core trainees (CT2), Trust grade doctors, Non-training registrars, Clinical Fellows and Research Fellows in Surgery.</b>
<b>Course fee:</b>	<b>£165.00</b>



## Course Programme

0820 - 0830 Registration

### Lectures

0830 - 0845 Welcome & Introduction (Miss L. Touil)

0845 - 0900 Interview structure (Mr S. Zack- Williams)

0900 - 0915 How to prepare for the portfolio (Miss D. Hunt)

0915 - 0930 Structured interview (Mr A. Salibi)

0930 - 0945 OSCEs: Consent and calling a consultant (Mr J. Barnes)

0945 - 1000 OSCEs: Communication skills and presentation (Mr A. Sadri)

1000 - 1015 Clinical Scenarios

**1015 - 1045**

**Coffee Break**

1045 - 1130 Tips to get through the interview (Mr Ian James)

### Mock Interview

- 1130 - 1300
- o Structured interview
  - o Clinical scenarios
  - o OSCEs
  - o Portfolio

**1300 - 1345**

**Lunch Break**

# Course Programme

## Mock Interview

- 1345 - 1515
- o Structured interview
  - o Clinical scenarios
  - o OSCEs
  - o Portfolio

**1515 - 1545**

**Coffee Break**

## Mock Interview

- 1545 - 1615
- o Structured interview
  - o Clinical scenarios
  - o OSCEs
  - o Portfolio
- 1615 - 1645
- Oral presentation practice
- 1645 - 1700
- Feedback & Close



## Faculty

**Miss Leila Touil, BSc, MBChB, MSc, MRCS**

Course Convenor  
Speciality Registrar in Plastic Surgery  
North West Plastic Surgical Training Programme

**Mr Andrej Salibi, MD, MRCS, MSc**

Course Organiser  
Speciality Registrar in Plastic Surgery  
North West Plastic Surgical Training Programme

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Whiston Hospital

**Mr Alex Whittam, MRCS**

Speciality Registrar in Plastic Surgery  
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North West Plastic Surgical Training Programme

**Mr Diaa Othman, MRCS**

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**Mr Gajanan Kantappa, MBBS, MS**

Specialty Doctor in Plastic Surgery  
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**Mr Hazem Alfeiky, MBChB, MSc, FEBOPRAS, FRCS (Plast)**

Senior Clinical Fellow in Plastic Surgery  
Whiston Hospital

## Faculty

**Mr Ian James, FRCS (Plast)**

Retired Consultant Burns and Plastic Surgeon  
Whiston Hospital

**Mr Jamie Barnes, MBChB, MRes, MRCS**

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**Miss Lyndsey Highton, FRCS (Plast)**

Senior Speciality Registrar in Plastic Surgery  
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**Miss Maria Chassapi, MRCS**

Speciality Registrar in Plastic Surgery  
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**Mr Samuel George, MBChB, MSc, MRCS**

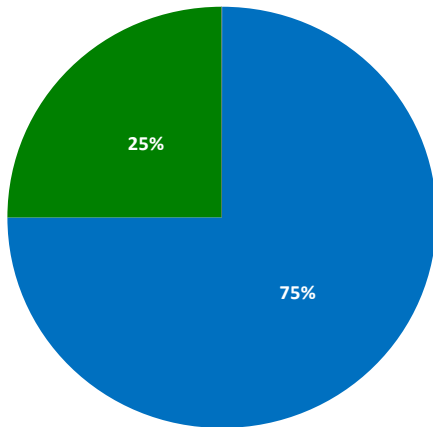
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**Mr Shomari Zack Williams, MRCS**

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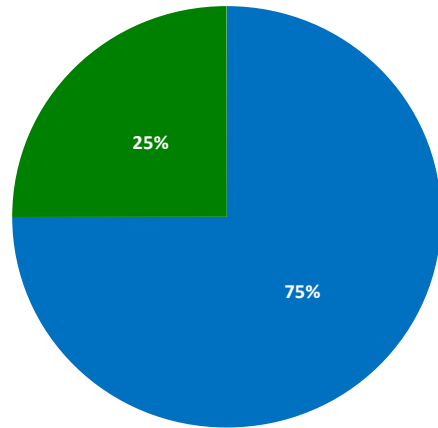
# Overall Course Feedback

How was the content of the course?



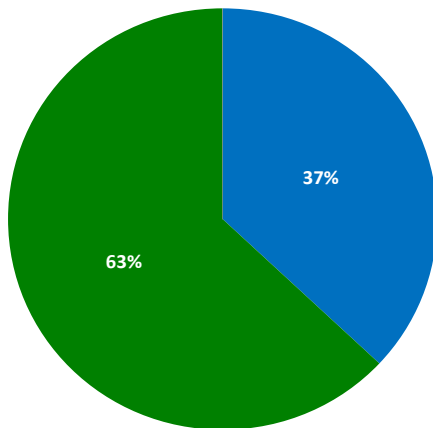
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How was the clarity of the lectures?



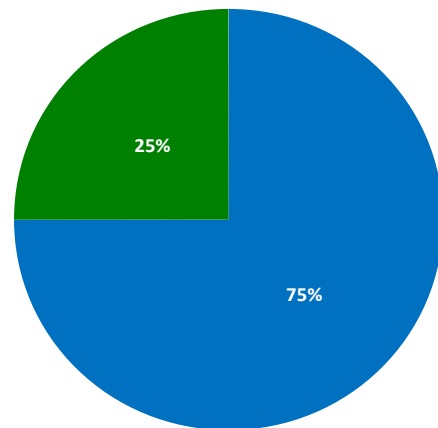
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How would you rate the general academic standard of the lecturers?



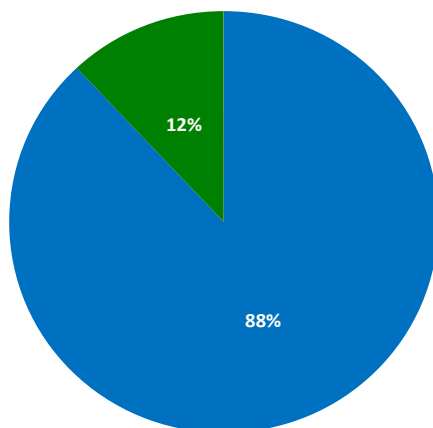
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Did the course cover the main topics you consider are important for the interview?



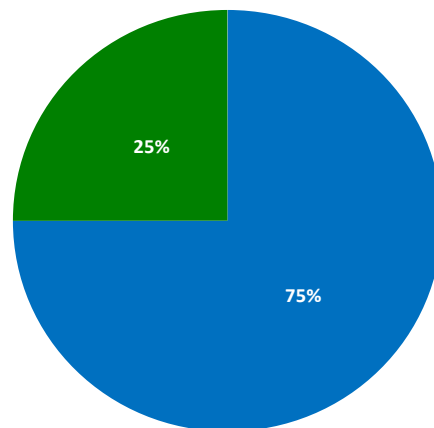
■ Most certainly ■ Certainly ■ Probably ■ A little ■ Not at all

Did you feel that the course improved the general understanding of the interview process?



■ Most certainly ■ Certainly ■ Probably ■ A little ■ Not at all

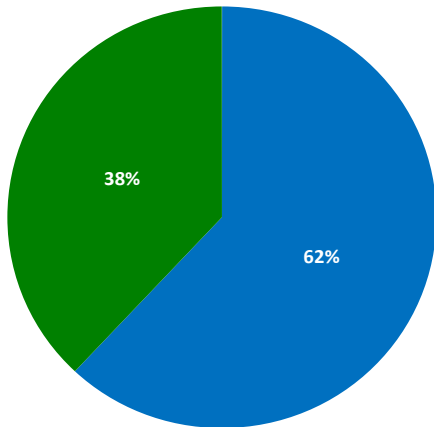
Interview Structure



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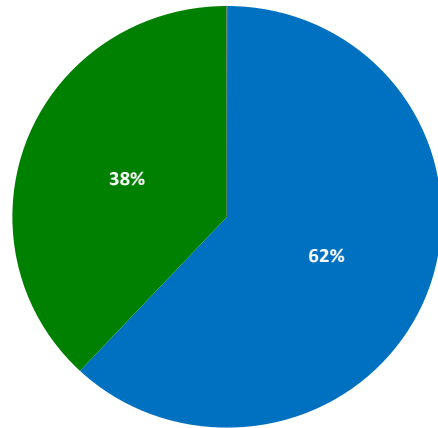
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### How to Prepare for the Portfolio



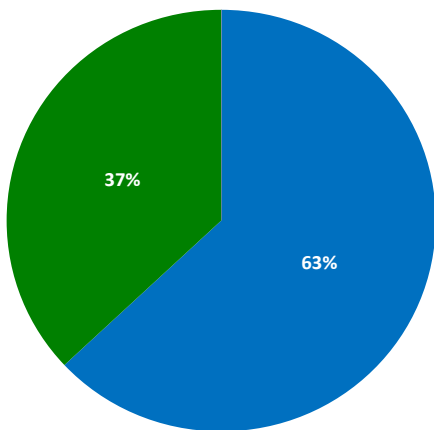
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### Structured Interview



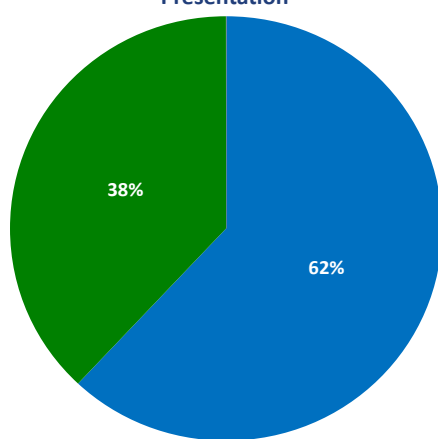
■ Most Certainly ■ Certainly ■ Neutral ■ Probably ■ No way

### OSCEs: Consent and Calling a Consultant



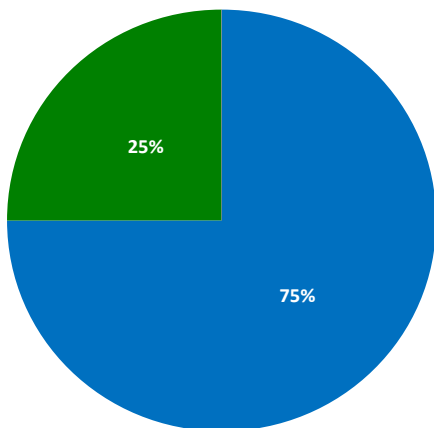
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### OSCEs: Communication Skills and Presentation



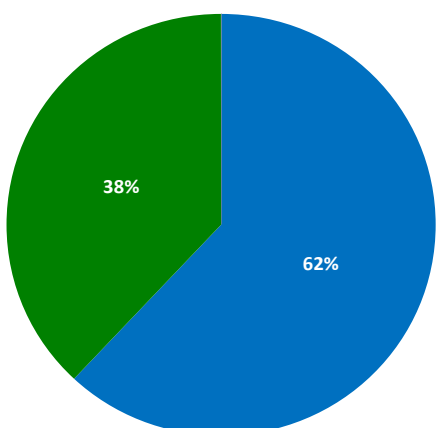
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### Clinical Scenarios



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### Tips to Get Through the Interview

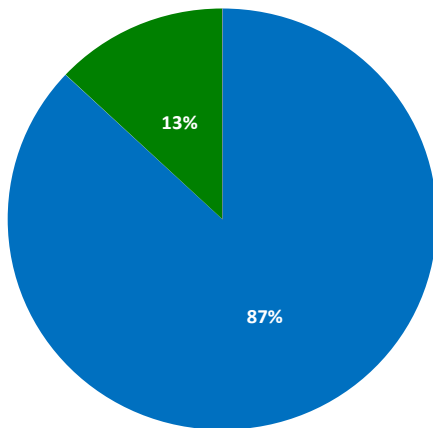


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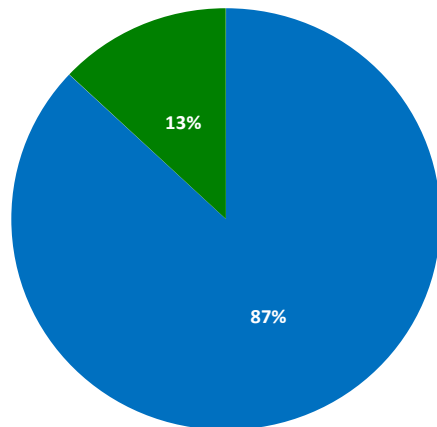
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Structured Interviews



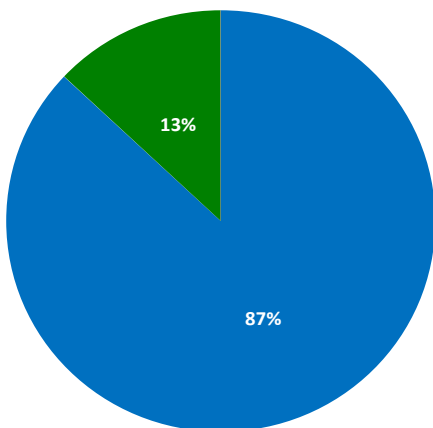
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Clinical Scenarios



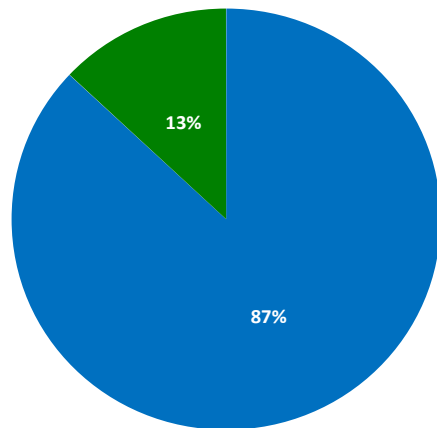
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OSCEs



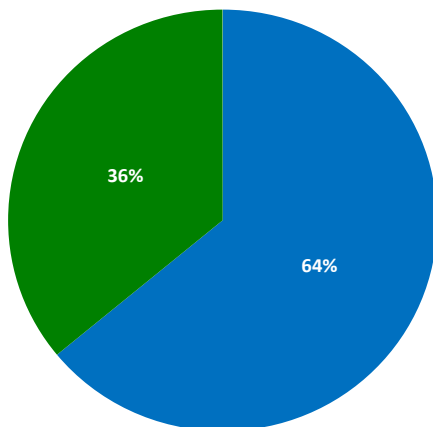
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Portfolio



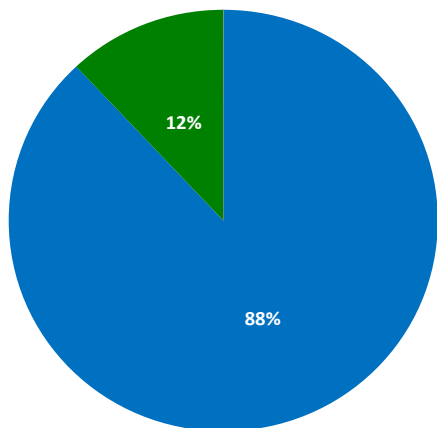
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Oral Presentation Practice



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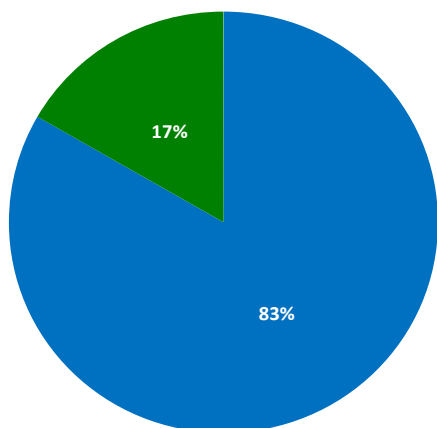
How was the general friendliness of the faculty and organisers?



■ Very friendly ■ Friendly ■ Neutral ■ Not very friendly ■ Can't comment

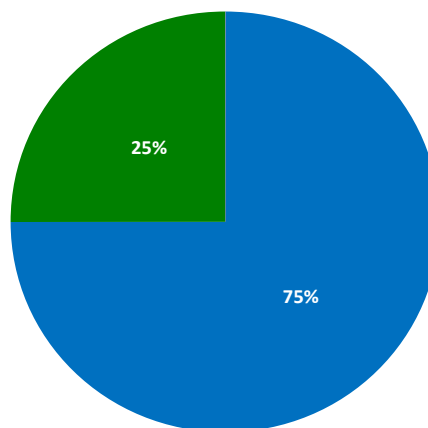
## Overall Course Feedback

Would you recommend this course to a friend?



■ Most certainly ■ Certainly ■ Probably ■ Unlikely ■ Not at all

Do you think that this course provided good value for money?



■ Most certainly ■ Certainly ■ Probably ■ Unlikely ■ Not at all

## Individual Comments

Great course. Did exactly what it set out to do. Really well organised, great mock stations. Thank you.

**SG**

***Nottingham City Hospital, Nottingham***

Very good.

**BN**

***Queen Elizabeth Medical Centre, Birmingham***

Friendly faculty, high tutor-to-candidate ratio. I was given personalised feedback on how to improve prior to my ST3 applications.

**RK**

***Wythenshawe Hospital, Manchester***

Really relaxed environment but you meant business! Which was great. Thank you.

**JH**

***Nottingham City Hospital, Nottingham***

Great value for money compared to other courses targeting the same audience. Very comprehensive day with high trainer-to-trainee ratio.

**MJ**

***Whiston Hospital, Prescot***

Great.

**EB**



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## Courses (a selection):

### Undergraduate:

- Final Year Medicine and Surgical Revision Courses
- Training the Clinical Anatomy Trainer
- Clinical Anatomy as Applied to Trauma and Emergency Medicine
- Surgical Anatomy of Important Operative Procedures
- Future Surgeons: Key Skills (RCSEd delivered)
- Structured Introduction to Surgical Skills

### Postgraduate:

- MRCS Part A
- MRCEM Part A
- MRCS Part B OSCE
- DOHNS: Intensive Revision & OSCE
- Intercollegiate Basic Surgical Skills (RCSEd delivered)
- MRCP PACES Part 2
- FRCS (General Surgery) Exit Exam
- Cadaveric Ultrasound-Guided Musculoskeletal Intervention Course
- Ultrasound-Assisted Botulinum Toxin Injection for Neuromuscular Disorders
- Live Advanced Laparoscopic Colorectal Course



## Forthcoming key events:

- **International Medical Summer School**  
*Manchester, 31<sup>st</sup> July to 4<sup>th</sup> August 2017*
- **International Academic and Research Conference**  
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- **World University Anatomy Challenge**  
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