

Advancing Practice application guidance

Personal statement

The personal statement will be reviewed to determine your suitability for the module or pathway for which you have applied, and you should aim to include some of the following points as a baseline:

- Why have you selected this module or specified MSc pathway?
- What interests you about the course?
- Any relevant experience related to the MSc or module content.
- Who will be funding your application
- How you plan to use the qualification in your career.
- How you and your profession will benefit from your studies.
- Why you feel you should be given a place on the programme.

Reference

As part of the application we require an academic or employer reference from your current employer - preferably on letter headed paper.

The reference should include confirmation of the required practice experience, funding and mentor support.

Advice for referees

When writing a reference please consider the following criteria:

- The student's academic performance in their post-16 education
- Any other relevant CPD activities completed
- Their potential for academic success in higher education
- Why the course they have chosen is suited to them
- Any personal qualities which will benefit them at university, such as skills, aptitude, enthusiasm
- What they can bring to the university, such as extra-curricular activities and interests.