

## **Video Interview Hints and Tips**

- 1. Find a well-lit area. If your room is dark grab a lamp and adjust it next to you so the light is shinning on your face.
- 2. Blur out the background in your room. This can be done through the settings on the video platform
- 3. Fully charge your laptop (ideally plug into mains)
- 4. Do a practice run with someone you trust
- 5. Test the speaker and microphone are functioning well (wear headphones if need be)
- Dress professionally. A softer, solid colour is the best option (e.g. greys or dark blues). Avoid white.
- 7. Look directly into the camera to ensure good eye contact with the interviewer
- 8. Set the webcam very slightly above eye level, in line with forehead
- 9. Don't forget to nod and smile to show you're engaged
- 10. Have a glass of water next you, in case of dry throat/coughing fits
- 11. Check your internet connection, ideally a speed of 10Mbps or better
- 12. Close all your brower tabs to free up memory