Transcript

Hello, my name is Angali and I'm a final year economics student at Warwick and I'll be starting this September at Compass Lexecon as a research analyst. Doing economics at Warwick really provided me with the tools and skills I needed to be successful in getting this job. For example, the analytical and critical thinking skills which doing this course fosters and opportunities to apply them across a broad range of contexts and problems. And to build this, communicating that thinking and reasoning were invaluable in helping me approach and answer the questions that I was asked in my economic consulting interviews. With the interviews themselves of course, I researched the company, the sort of work they do, the projects they've worked on, but in terms of the technical interviews, nothing helped me more than reviewing the content of my industrial organisation modules which I've chosen to take throughout my degree. I think doing those modules both showed me that I enjoy the sort of economics work with an economic consulting, but it also gave me the fundamental knowledge that I needed to answer these technical questions that I was asked.

I think also what maybe gave me an edge as a candidate was talking about things beyond my degree. For example, I spoke a lot about my year abroad in Australia. The experience that I had and the skills that that experience gave me. I think this may be strengthen my position as a candidate, but it also facilitated more informal conversation with my interviewer, which was definitely very important. The advice that I would give to people applying for grad roles would be to really reflect on the skills that you've gotten from your degree, but also your time at Warwick itself. Whilst you may have been doing something for a really good time. Draw on that experience and use it to show why you would be perfect for a role and how it sets you apart from everyone else.