

Some Sample Interview Questions

The questions on this handout are representative of the types of questions asked by interviewers. The list does not represent all questions an interviewer may ask.

1. Give me an example of an important goal that you set in the past and tell me about your success in reaching it.
2. What are your long-range and short-range goals and objectives?
3. What do you consider to be your strengths? weaknesses?
4. How would you describe yourself?
5. How would friends and professors who know you well describe you?
6. What motivates you to do a good job?
7. Tell me about a time when you were in a leadership role. Who did you lead and what did you accomplish?
8. Describe the relationship that should exist between a supervisor and those reporting to him/her.
9. What are your most satisfying accomplishments?
10. Describe a situation when you've been faced with multiple, conflicting priorities. How did you determine what was important? How did you go about organizing your work?
11. How have your educational experiences prepared you for college?
12. Why should this company hire you?
13. Are you willing to relocate?
14. What do you know about our company?
15. Why did you decide to seek this position?
16. Why did you decide to pursue the major that you chose?
17. Why did you choose to attend Wright State University?
18. What kind of work environment are you most comfortable with?
19. How do you respond to change?
20. What are the elements that you seek in a good job?

21. Describe a time that you were frustrated with an employer and how you handled that frustration.

22. Tell me about a time when you feel you provided exceptional customer service.

23. What is the most valuable lesson that you have learned in your life thus far?

24. Describe a situation when you had to convince others of your position and how you attempted to convince them when making a group decision related to work.

Do not memorize answers to these exact questions. Your goal is to have basic concepts in your memory at the time of the interview so that you can communicate them clearly in response to these questions. Prior to the interview, identify specific examples from your experience that support answers to questions like these.