

Common Interview Questions

Prepare responses to these common interview questions so you can be well-prepared for your interview.

1. Tell me a little about your background and why and how you developed an interest in Finance (Field of Specialization). *(your branding statement)*
2. Why (company name)?
3. What interests you about our company/position?
4. What have you done to prepare for this interview?
5. As you think about your prior internships and work experiences, what accomplishment are you most proud of? What was your greatest learning?
6. Describe your skills in terms of planning and organization and how you apply these skills to be successful. *(these qualities can vary based on the job being applied for.)*
7. What experience or knowledge do you currently have in practice of Finance such as reporting and analysis, monitoring spending (SGA), working with business departments or monitoring the financial status of business units? (Use the specifics of the job applied for here). Which did you enjoy the most? Least? What areas do you desire to learn more about? Why?
8. Can you give me an example of a time when you saw an opportunity, developed an idea and presented it and what you did to move that idea forward?
9. How would you keep informed on what's going on in the business you are working for? Personal communication or research?
10. How do you establish a productive role as a member of a team?
11. What are your career goals?
12. As a leader, tell me how you drove a successful project and the steps you took to move a challenging situation forward.
13. Why should we hire you as our intern (or role)?
14. Is there anything that I haven't asked you that you wanted to share?
15. What questions do you have for me? *(Three questions you should ask here: 1) ask a big picture question, i.e., industry or field based, 2) ask about the role, and lastly, 3) "What's next in the process?"*)