



MBA

INTERVIEW QUESTIONS



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Questions at the Interview

Even if each interview is unique, there is great similarity in the subjects touched upon. The principal things your interviewer will be looking at are:

- your previous education
- your professional experience
- your extra-professional activities
- your character and your values
- your motivation for doing an MBA and, more specifically, at the school with which you're interviewing.

Your Previous Education

1. Which school did you attend and why that one?
2. Would you choose the same studies again if you could do it over again?
3. What was your major and why?
4. What overall grades did you get? Did you get honors?
5. Which courses were you best at? Why?
6. What did you like most about this part of your education?
7. What did you least like about this part of your education?
8. What extra-curricular activities did you participate in? Why and what was your contribution?
9. How did you pay for your education?

Your Professional Experience:

1. Can you briefly describe your career progress to date?
2. What are your long term career aspirations and why?
3. Please discuss the factors, both professional and personal, influencing the career decisions you have made so far.
4. Can you briefly describe the key responsibilities of your current job?
5. What are the key challenges of your job?
6. While recognizing that no day is typical, please describe a representative working day.
7. Why did you choose this profession? Why this company?
8. What do you like best/about your current job?
9. Describe your most successful accomplishment at work.
10. Describe a failure on the job.
11. What could you do to be an even more effective member of your organization?
12. Describe a situation in which you have been in the position of leading a group.
13. What have you done to develop those under your responsibility?
14. What specifically have you done to help your company change'?
15. How does your performance compare with that of your peers at a similar level?
16. Describe your relationship with your boss. What is good and bad about it?
17. Where is your industry heading in the next five years? (all the more important if your interviewer works in the same domain).

Your Extra-Professional Activities:

1. How do you spend your time outside of work? What activities do you enjoy most and why?
2. Describe a situation where you have been in a position of leading a group in those activities. Describe your key accomplishments in these activities.
3. Describe any failure in these activities.
4. What is the last book you read? What did you think of it?
5. What is your favorite sport? What aspect of it appeals to you?

Your reasons for doing an MBA and more specifically the reason you are doing this interview:

1. Why do you want to do an MBA? Why now?
2. Where do you expect to be in 5 years?
3. What do you expect to get from an MBA?
4. Why do you want to come to our school in particular?
5. Which other schools are you applying to?
6. How did you choose these schools? Why so many/few?
7. Which school is your first choice?
8. What if you are not accepted in the schools you are applying for?
9. What specific questions do you have about our school?
10. What would you contribute to our school that is distinctive?

Your character and your values:

1. Tell me about yourself.
2. How would your friends describe you?
3. What are your main strengths and weaknesses?
4. What have you done that you are proud of?
5. Who are your heroes? Why?
6. Describe any significant experience abroad. What did you learn from this?
7. Describe an ethical dilemma that you faced. How did you resolve it?