

Interview Questions

1. What is your job title?
2. How long have you been in this position?
3. What are your responsibilities?
4. How would you classify or describe your college's perspectives on research and teaching (e.g., research I, liberal arts, research with a teaching focus, teaching only)?
5. When you started graduate school, what kind of job did you want? Did that change? If so, why?
6. What did you do during graduate school to ready yourself for the job market?
7. What did you do to ready yourself for the job itself?
8. What classes, small groups, or faculty helped you?
9. How did you market yourself when applying for jobs?
10. What made you a successful applicant?
11. How did you prepare for the job interview?
12. As a graduate student, what did you think life as a professor would be like?
13. How has your experience in your current position differed?
14. What are the best and worst parts of your job?
15. What advice do you have for managing relationships with administrators, colleagues, and students across different levels of the academic hierarchy (e.g., assistant professor, associate professor)?
16. How have you balanced your professional life with your personal life?
17. What advice would your current self give to your past self if you could?