



Interview Questions



When preparing for a college interview, students should dress well and be on time. The interviewer really wants to find out who you are, what's important to you, and what your goals are. While in the interview, make certain you maintain eye contact. You need to be positive about yourself and what you can accomplish at the University. Here is a list of sample questions that could be asked in an interview. It would help if answers were prepared to these questions, and rehearsed.

- How are you unique?
- What do you do best?
- What is the last book you read?
- Who is your favorite author?
- Who is your favorite character?
- Who is your favorite teacher?
- What person has influenced you the most?
- What event has influenced you the most?
- What experiences stick most in your mind?
- What makes you who you are?
- What are your best traits?
- What are your faults?
- What is your family like?
- Tell me about yourself?
- Why do you want to go to college?
- What made you select this particular college?
- What do you think you will add to the college?
- What are you looking for in an education at our college?
- To which other colleges are you applying?
- If all of your teachers were in one room, what would they say about you?



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- Rate yourself from 1 to 10. How would your teachers rate you?
- What books NOT required by school have you read recently?
- Where do you picture yourself ten years from now?
- Tell me about your family.
- What television shows do you watch?
- What magazines and/or newspapers do you read regularly?
- How do you spend a typical afternoon after school? A typical evening? A typical weekend?
- Do you have any heroes, contemporary or historical?
- How do you feel about an issue in current events: terrorism, nuclear power, legalization of marijuana, gun control, etc.?
- What have you liked, and what have you disliked about high school?
- If you were principal, what would you change?
- What significant contributions have you made to your school or your community?
- What is the most important thing that you've learned in high school?
- We have your application, your transcript, your test scores and recommendations. What ELSE do you want us to know about you?
- What would you like to know about our school?
- Do you have any questions?

The Admissions Counselor may also ask about Upward Bound and what you have gained from your UB experience. Make certain you get a business card from your interviewers and their titles so you can write a thank you note afterwards. You should also be prepared to ask some questions. Remember to be yourself and you will have a terrific college interview.