



The University of Texas at Austin
Health Professions Office
College of Natural Sciences

General Interview Questions:

- What kind of community/volunteer work have you done?
 - What is the most rewarding experience of your life?
 - Who is your favorite author?
 - Have you worked while you have been in school?
 - Have you had the opportunity to travel abroad?
 - What accomplishment are you most proud of?
 - Tell me about the most difficult period of your life. How did you deal with this?
 - What are your strengths? What are your weaknesses?
 - What is the most difficult decision that you've had to make?
 - How do you plan to finance your professional school education?
 - How do you handle adversity?
 - Why do you want to be a (insert your health profession)?
 - What will you do if you are not accepted?
 - When did you first decide that you wanted to pursue this career? Was there a specific cause for your decision? Has anything happened since that time to strengthen or weaken your decision?
 - What steps have you taken to find out more about this career?
 - Where would you like to start practicing?
 - How do you study? How do you manage your time?
 - What courses do you find most enjoyable, most difficult? Why?
 - Describe your hobbies and interests.
 - Describe your most/least favorite course at UT and why it falls into that category.
 - Why did you choose _____ as your major?
 - Are there any questions you would like to ask me?
 - Describe a situation where you've worked with people from different backgrounds.
 - What type of person do you enjoy being with? What type of person irritates you most and how have you dealt with these types of people?
 - What about yourself would you most like the interviewer to know?
 - Do you have any particular populations you would like to work with? Have you worked with this type of population in the past?
 - How do you handle stress?
 - How would you keep health care costs down?
 - What characteristics does a good (insert your profession) possess?
 - What current event in healthcare have you heard about or been following?
 - What are the advantages and limitations that you see going into this profession? (Be specific)
 - What problems do you predict that (insert your profession) will face in the next decade?
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