Example Interview Questions for Student Employees

- 1. Tell me about yourself?
- 2. What are you studying?
- 3. What are your greatest strengths?
- 4. Describe a situation in which you had to work with a difficult person (another student, co-worker, customer, supervisor, etc.). How did you handle the situation? Is there anything you would have done differently in hindsight?
- 5. Have you attended any seminars and presentations during your college tenure? If so, what did you learn from those sessions?
- 6. What was been your best experience so far at CWU?
- 7. How do you define your personality in whole?
- 8. What was the inspiration behind applying for this job?
- 9. What all do you know about our department?
- 10. What are your career plans and where do you see yourself in the future?
- 11. What skills do you have which are most suitable for this job?
- 12. Why do you think we should choose you for this position?
- 13. What do you consider your most important accomplishments in the last positions you have held?
- 14. In what kind of work environment are you most comfortable?
- 15. How do you work under pressure?
- 16. Describe a contribution you have made to a project on which you worked
- 17. What are your strengths, weaknesses, and interests?
- 18. How do you think a friend or professor who knows you well would describe you?
- 19. Why did you choose the career for which you are preparing?
- 20. Option for any clarification or follow-up questions. (*Only clarification or follow-up questions on the questions above.*)
- 21. Do you have any questions for us?
- 22. Close with a summary of the process: reference checks, personal interview, etc. Let me explain the rest of our process. We have a few more telephone interviews to conduct. Based on the results of those, we will determine who to further evaluate which will entail calling references and inviting for an on-campus interview. We anticipate that we will invite several applicants for an on-campus interview. We should be able to notify you within a week or two whether you will be moved forward in the process.



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- o If you are moved forward in the process, do we have your permission to contact your references?
- o May we contact other people that may come up in the reference check?
- o Is there anyone else that you would like to add as a reference?



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