Assistant Professor Interview Questions

1. Walk me through how you prepare and deliver lectures to undergraduate or graduate students on topics such as research methods, urban anthropology, and language and culture.

2. Name a time where you conducted research in a particular field of knowledge and present findings in professional journals, books, electronic media, or at professional conferences.

3. Tell me about what approach you use to advise students on academic and vocational curricula, career issues, and laboratory and field research.

4. Describe how you plan, evaluate, and revise curricula, course content, materials, and/or methods of instruction. Share an experience.

5. Share an example when you supervised students' laboratory or field work.

6. Tell me about the last time you wrote grant proposals to procure external research funding and review others' grant proposals.

7. Provide an effective method you have used to keep abreast of developments in your field.

8. Share an experience in which you successfully supervised teaching, internship, and/or research work. What methods made you successful?

9. What factors do you consider when preparing course materials?

10. Share an effective technique you have used evaluate and grade students' work.

11. Please share with me an example of how you helped coach or mentor someone. What improvements did you see in the person's knowledge or skills?

12. Share an experience you had in dealing with a difficult person and how you handled the situation.

13. Tell me how you organize, plan, and prioritize your work.

14. Share an experience when you applied new technology or information in your job. How did it help your

company?

15. Tell me about an experience in which you analyzed information and evaluated results to choose the best solution to a problem.

16. Would you consider analyzing data or information a strength? How so?

17. Share an effective approach to working with a large amount of information/data. How has your approach affected your company?

18. Share an example of a time you had to gather information from multiple sources. How did you determine which information was relevant?

19. Please share an experience in which you successfully taught a difficult principle or concept. How were you able to be successful?

20. Share an experience in which you used new training skills, ideas, or a method to adapt to a new situation or improve an ongoing one. (Look for the candidate's ability to learn.)